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EUROPEAN NEWS.

ADVICES BY OCEAN TELEGRAPH TO FEB. 2.

The Question of Reform in England.

Rumor that Mr. Laird Offers to to Pay the Alabama Claims.

Garibaldi Discountenancing an Uprising at Rome.

Count Bismarck Refuses to Declare His Foreign Policy.

Russia Protests against the Gathering of Poles in Galicia.

Destructive Earthquake on the West Coast of Africa.

ENGLAND.

The Queen's Speech—Queer Rumor About the Alabama Claims.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

It is now certain that the Queen in her speech at the opening of Parliament will propose reform measures.

There is a rumor that Mr. LAIRD himself offers to pay the *Alabama* claims.

No Reform Bill to be Introduced.

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 2—Evening.

It is now said that the plans of the Government do not embrace the introduction of a reform bill. The subject of reform will merely be recommended.

Rumors About Maximilian.

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 2—Evening.

Advices from the Continent state that it is officially announced that MAXIMILIAN will remain in Mexico if the Congress of that country, now open to assemble, will sustain him.

Railroad Ratters.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

The affairs of the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad, which were referred to a Committee of Inquiry, have much improved.

Disaster—Loss of the Ship Monmouth, With Eight of the Crew.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

The ship *Monmouth*, Capt. JONES, which sailed from New-Orleans on the 18th of November, for Liverpool *via* Pensacola, was abandoned at sea. No date. Eight lives were lost. The remainder of the crew, twelve in number, were saved.

FRANCE.

Further Concessions in France.

PARIS, Friday, Feb. 1.

The Emperor NAPOLEON will soon issue a decree granting the perpetual right of social and religious meetings.

The Military Camp.

PARIS, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

The Imperial Army will camp this year near this city, and not at Chalons, as usual.

GERMANY.

The North German Flag—Prussia Declines to Treat with South Germany.

BERLIN, Friday, Feb. 1.

The flag of the North German Confederation has been agreed on. It will consist of an eagle and a black, a white and a red stripe.

Prussia declines to treat with the South German States on account of the provisions of the Treaty of Prague.

Bismarck Refuses to Declare His Policy.

BERLIN, Saturday, Feb. 2.

Count BISMARCK has refused to declare the policy to be pursued by Germany with regard to the difference between France and Belgium on the one side and the Prussian Government on the other.

ITALY.

Garibaldi Discountenances an Uprising at Rome.

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 2—Noon.

GARIBALDI discountenances any rising at Rome, and has written a note discouraging the scheme for the present.

RUSSIA.

A Protest Against the Gathering of Poles in Prussia.

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 2—Noon.

Advices have been received which state that the Government of Russia is protesting against the gathering of Poles Galicia.

AFRICA.

Destructive Earthquake on the West Coast.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

Late advices received from Sierra Leone, West Coast of Africa, state that an earthquake had occurred there, which was very destructive of human life and property.

SPAIN.

Further Political Arrests.

MADRID, Friday, Feb. 1.

More than a hundred arrests have been made in this city recently of persons believed to be connected with revolutionary schemes.

CRETE.

The Eastern Question.

PARIS, Saturday, Feb. 2.

La Presse thinks that the presence of the American squadron in the Mediterranean serves only to complicate the Eastern question.

Greece and the Cretan Rebellion.

ATHENS, Friday, Feb 1.

It is impossible for the Government of Greece to prevent the volunteers from leaving for Crete. Fifteen hundred soldiers have just departed to aid their struggling brethren in that island.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Financial.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

Consols for Money, 90 11-16.

United States Five-Twenty Bonds closed at 73 15-16.

Illinois Central Shares, 83¼.

Erie, 38.

A dispatch from Paris says United States Five-Twenties closed there at 82¾.

A dispatch from Frankfort-on-the-Main says United States Five-Twenty bonds closed this evening at 76¾.

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 2—Noon.

Consols have declined 1-16, and are quoted at 90 9-16.

Erie Railway shares have declined ¼, and closed at 38¼.

At Frankfort, United States Five-Twenty bonds have advanced ¼, and closed at 76¾. At Paris the United States bonds advanced fully ¾, and closed at 82¾.

The bonds in this city are unchanged, as are also Illinois Central shares, the former closing at 73, and the latter at 83¾.

Commercial.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

The Cotton market closed dull. The sales today were only 7,000 bales. Middling Uplands, 14¾; Middling Orleans, 15¼.

The advices from Manchester are unfavorable, the market in that city for goods and yarns being flat and prices much lower.

BREADSTUFFS.—The Wheat and Flour market is much easier. Corn has declined to 40s. @40s. 6d. per quarter for mixed Western.

PRODUCE.—Petroleum is quoted at 1s. 6d. @1s. 6¼d. ₱ gallon for Pennsylvania and Canada, refined.

PROVISIONS—Beef has advanced half a crown. Lard is quoted at 53s. for American. Cheese has declined 1s. for middling to fine American.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, Feb. 2—Noon.

The Cotton Market to-day opens dull and inactive.

The quotations are unchanged.

The sales to-day will not probably exceed 6,000 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, Feb. 2—Evening.

The Cotton market closed dull and inactive. The sales to-day were only 6,000 bales. Prices, however, were firm, and Middling Uplands at 14¾d. ₱ lb.

The Breadstuffs market is generally quiet. Corn, however, is declining, the closing price this evening 40s. ₱ 480 lbs., for mixed Western, (American.)

The Provision market is quiet and steady.

Produce—Spirits Turpentine is salable at 37s. 6d. ₱ cwt. for American.

MARINE NEWS.

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

Advices have been received here of the arrival at Monrovia, West Coast of Africa, of the United States steamer *Sacramento*, on the 12th of January.

LONDONDERRY, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

The steamship *Belgian*, from Portland Jan. 19, touched at Greencastle, *en route* to Liverpool, this afternoon.

QUEENSTOWN, Friday, Feb. 1—Evening.

The steamship *City of Cork*, from New-York Jan. 19, arrived off this port this evening, and soon after proceeded to Liverpool.

QUEENSTOWN, Saturday, Feb. 2—Noon.

The Royal Mail steamship *Persia*, from New-York Jan. 26, arrived at Queenstown early this morning.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 2.

The Chair laid before the Senate the President's response to a resolution of inquiry whether any person rejected by the Senate has been continues in office after such rejection.

Ordered to be printed and laid upon the table.

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Petitions were offered and referred, among them one from the sugar refiners of the United States, stating that there are $34,000,000 invested in the sugar refineries of the United States, and asking for protection in the pending Tariff Bill.

THE ONONDAGA IRON-CLAD.

Mr. MORRILL offered a resolution authorising the Secretary of the Navy to return the iron-clad *Onondaga* to her builder, GEORGE W. QUINTARD, on his refunding the amount advanced to him.

It was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

COURTS IN IDAHO.

Mr. WADE called up a bill authorizing the Judges of the Territory of Idaho to appoint the times and places of holding Court in toe Territory, and providing that the Legislature of the Territory shall meet biennially on the first Monday of December, and be elected biennially in August, which was debated and passed.

OCEAN MAILS.

Mr. CONNESS called up a joint resolution authorizing ocean mail service three times per month between San Francisco, California, and Portland, Oregon, at a cost not to exceed $25,000 per annum, the contract to be given to the lowest bidder, which was passed.

THE MOTLEY CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. SUMNER called up his resolution calling for a copy of the letter in which Mr. SEWARD founded his inquiries of Mr. MOTLEY, and to furnish the name of the writer, which was passed.

OREGON.

Mr. NESMITH introduced the following resolution, which was considered and agreed to;

Resolved, That the Committee on Commerce be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation of $40,000 for the purpose of removing the obstructions in the Willamette River, Oregon, and to report by bill or otherwise.

SHIP CANAL.

Mr. CONNESS introduced the following resolution, which was considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to report to the Senate what steps have been taken by him to obtain from the Republic of Colombia the right for the United States to make necessary surveys for an interoceanic ship canal through the territory of that Republic.

WAR CLAIMS.

Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported the joint resolution prohibiting payments from the Treasury to persons not known to have been opposed to the rebellion and in favor of its suppression, with an amendment striking out the provision as above quoted, and leaving the bill to prohibit the payment of any claim of such persons occurring prior to the 13th of April, 1861, and providing further that no pardon shall authorize such payment until this joint resolution shall be modified or rejected.

PUBLIC LANDS IN CALIFORNIA.

Mr. STEWART, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported, with an amendment, the bill providing for the entry at the minimum price of public lands in the State of California and Nevada land settled and occupied as town sites. The amendment provides that the act shall be construed subject to the provisions of the act entitled an act granting the right of way to ditch and canal owners over the public lands, and for other purposes, and nothing in the act shall be construed to grant any right in conflict with the rights of miners upon the public lands, which they hold under any law of Congress, or by virtue of the rules or customs of miners.

PUNISHMENT OF CRIMES.

Mr. HENDRICKS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported the bill to define and punish certain crimes; the rule named with an amendment striking out the whole bill, and inserting:

"That if any person shall rob another unlawfully in the custody thereof, of any kind or description of personal property belonging to the United States, or shall feloniously take and carry away the same, the person so offending shall, on conviction, be punished by fine not exceeding $5,000, or by imprisonment at hard labor, not less than one nor more than ten years, or by both at the discretion of the Court."

REMOVAL OF CASES FROM STATE COURTS.

Mr. HARRIS introduced a bill to amend an act entitled, "An act for the removal of causes in certain cases from State Courts," approved July 27, 1866, which amendment provides that parties now resident of any one of the States lately in insurrection, or a party plaintiff in any cause now pending or hereafter brought in any Court of such State, or is or shall be defended in a cause retained according to the laws of such State, for the adjudication of relief sought by him after the plaintiff has ceased to prosecute the original action, shall be entitled, where the amount involved exceeds $500, at any time before the trial or final hearing thereof, to have said cause removed to the United States Circuit Court for such State in the manner prescribed by the act to which this is a supplement. Provided, that such removal shall apply only to such causes as would, under the Constitution, and existing laws, be brought into the Circuit or District Court of the United States, in such State, by original action.

Section 2 provides that the plaintiff in the cause, when removed, shall have the same rights and effect that the original plaintiff would have in the State Courts, under the laws and practice thereof, at the time of the commencing of the cause therein, provided that no person shall be entitled or prevented from testifying, or be rendered incompetent as a witness upon account of his color or race.

PASSING OFF.

Mr. BUCKALEW rose to a personal explanation. He was charged by a Philadelphia paper, with dodging the vote on the Tariff. This was not true; he had paired off with Mr. CRESWELL, who was absent.

Mr. DIXON said if he had been present, he would have voted for the bill. He had paired off with Mr. SAULSBURY.

THE BANKRUPT BILL.

The Bankrupt Bill came up at 1 o'clock. The pending question was upon the amendment of the Judiciary Committee to strike out the proposition of the House bill, exempting from sale under the operations of the law, so much of the debtors' property as is exempted by the Exemption Law of the State in which the debtors reside.

This was debated by Messrs. STEWART, FOSTER, POLAND and DOOLITTLE, after which the vote was taken on Mr. WILSON'S amendment to insert in lieu of the above a provision that an amount may be exempted not to exceed $1,000. This was disagreed to, and the question then recurred on striking out the clause above reserved to from the bill:

YEAS—Messrs. Cragin, Davis, Dixon, Fogg, Foster, Harris, Fessenden, Kirkwood, Lane, Sherman, Sprague, Sumner, Trumbull, Williams, Wilson—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Buckalew, Cattell, Conness, Cowan, Doolittle, Edmunds, Fessenden, Grimes, Howard, Howe, Johnson, Kirkwood, Morgan, Morrill, Norton, Patterson, Pomeroy, Ramsey, Ross, Stewart, Van Winkle, Wade, Willey—25.

So the clause was not stricken out.

TENURE OF OFFICE.

The Senate bill to regulate the tenure of office was received from the House and amended so as to include Cabinet officers among those who shall not be removed without the advice and consent of the Senate.

Mr. ROSCOE moved that the Senate disagree to this amendment and call for a Committee of Conference.

Mr. TRUMBULL hoped the Senate would agree to the amendment. He did not see why Cabinet Ministers should be excepted from the provisions of the bill, and the fight might as well be made here as in a Committee of Conference.

Mr. ROSCOE said the Senate had expressed its opinion very decidedly on this subject, and according to the usages of the body it ought not to be pressed to concur in what it had so decidedly voted down.

Mr. HENDRICKS moved to postpone any further consideration of this subject, which was disagreed to.

The Clerk of the House here arrived, and announced the proceedings of the House on the death of PHILIP JOHNSON, Representative from the Eleventh Pennsylvania District.

Mr. BUCKALEW delivered an address on the life and character of the deceased, of whom he spoke in terms of sincere regard and high respect.

The customary resolutions of condolence and regret were passed, and the Senate adjourned at 2:35 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

On motion of FRANCIS THOMAS, the Secretary of the Treasury was requested to communicate a tabular statement of the amount of revenue paid into the Treasury of the United States from the City of Baltimore and each of the several counties of Maryland in 1864 and 1865, from all sources, except from duties on imports.

THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

On motion of Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, leave was given to the Judiciary Committee to sit during the session of the House for the remainder of this session.

THE AGRICULTURAL REPORT.

On motion of Mr. GRINNELL, the Superintendent of Public Printing was directed to intersperse the illustrations of the Agricultural Report of 1865 in the edition furnished to members, as in the edition furnished to the Commissioners of Agriculture.

PETITIONS.

Mr. CONKLING presented a petition of willow-growers, asking increased tariff on willows. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. RAYMOND presented the petition of JOHN T. HOFFMAN, SAMUEL G. COURTNEY, and others, citizens of New-York City, remonstrating against movements looking to the impeachment of the President, and praying for the adoption of measures to promote the peace and prosperity of the country. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

EVENING SESSIONS.

Mr. HOOPER asked unanimous consent for a motion that from and after Monday next the House take a recess daily, except Saturdays, from 4:30 till 7:30.

Mr. WENTWORTH objected, unless it was agreed that no votes should be taken in the evening session.

Mr. HOOPER said that the evening sessions were to be for business, and not for votes. He would, on Monday, move to suspend the rules for that purpose.

ARMS FURNISHED TO INDIANS.

On motion of Mr. SCHENCK, the reports of the military officers relative to the furnishing of arms to Indians by Indian agents were referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

TENURE OF OFFICE.

The House then took up the unfinished business of yesterday, being the Senate bill to regulate the tenure of civil officers, the question being on reconsidering the vote whereby the House rejected yesterday the amendments offered by Mr. WILLIAMS striking out the exception made in the bill to the Cabinet officers. The effect of the amendment is to make the removal of Cabinet officers subject to the advice and approval of the Senate, as with all other civil officers covered by the bill.

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted—yeas 74, nays 65; so the vote rejecting the amendment was reconsidered.

The question then recurred on the amendment and it was adopted—yeas 82, nays 63; so the exception to the Cabinet officers in the first section of the bill, from its operation, was struck out.

The following is the vote in detail on the adoption of Mr. WILLIAMS' amendment:

YEAS—Messrs. Alley, Allison, Ames, Anderson, Ashley of Ohio, Baker, Barker, Beaman, Bidwell, Bingham, Blaine, Blow, Boutwell, Bromwell, Broomall, Buckland, Clarke of Ohio, Clark of Kansas, Cobb, Conkling, Cook, Cullom, Dawes, Deming, Dixon, Donnelly, Dumont, Eckley, Eggleston, Eliot, Ferry, Garfield, Grinnell, Harding of Illinois, Hayes, Henderson, Higby, Hill, Hotchkiss, Hooper, Hubbard of Connecticut, Hubbard, Julian, Kelley, Kasson, Laflin, Lawrence of Ohio, Loan, Lynch, McKee, McRuer, Miller, Moorhead, Morrill, Moulton, Myers, O'Neil, Orth, Paine, Parham, Pike, Price, Randall of Kentucky, Rice of Maine, Rollins, Sawyer, Scofield, Shellabarger, Sloan, Spalding, Stevens, Stokes, Trowbridge, Upson, Van Aernam, Van Horn of New-York, Washburn of Indiana, Welker, Wentworth, Williams, Wilson of Iowa, Wilson of Pennsylvania, Windom—82.

NAYS—Messrs. Ancona, Ashley of Nevada, Bergen, Boyer, Campbell, Cooper, Davis, Dawes, Dawson, Defries, Deming, Eldridge, Farnsworth, Farquhar Finck, Glossbrenner, Hale, Harding of Kentucky, Harris, Hawkins, Hise, Hogan, Holmes, Hubbard of West Virginia, Hubbell of New-York, Ingersoll of Ohio, Humphrey, Hunter, Ingersoll, Jenckes, Kasson, Kerr, Kendall, Lawrence of Pennsylvania, Leblond, Letcher, Longyear, Marvin, Maynard, McCullough, Mihlenk, Nicholson, Noell, Phelps, Plants, Pomeroy, Randall of Pennsylvania, Raymond, Rogers, Ross, Schenck, Shanklin, Stillwell, Stiegers, Taylor of Tennessee, Thornton, Trimble, Ward of Kentucky, Wood, Woodbarn of Massachusetts, Whaley, Winfield—63.

The words in the second section, excepting those specially excepted in section one of this act, were then, on motion of Mr. GARFIELD, struck out.

The bill was then passed; yeas, 111; nays, 38.

THE TARIFF.

On motion of Mr. MORRILL, the Senate amendments to the Tariff Bill were taken from the Speaker's table, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and ordered printed.

PATENTS.

The House then took up the House Bill yesterday in the morning hour, for the extension of the patents of THOMAS W. HARVEY, for improvements in machinery for cutting screws and for dressing screw heads.

Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, moved to lay the bill on the table.

The motion was agreed to—yeas 74, nays 6. So the bill was laid on the table.

The Committees were then called for reports of a private character.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

The bills reported from the Committee on Claims were disposed of as follows:

To pay Mrs. ELMA A. FORCE $500 for services as a spy in Missouri. Referred to Committee of the whole House.

The House joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to pay a certain draft to W. W. POTTER, late acting Military Agent for the State of New-York, was passed.

The Senate joint resolution, providing for the payment of certain Kentucky militia forces, was passed with amendments.

The House bill for the relief of GEORGE M. FAY and NATHAN FAY, of Eureka, Humboldt County, California, was passed.

The House joint resolution for the relief of J. and O. P. COBB & Co., of Aurora, Ind., was passed.

The Senate bill for the relief of GEORGE HENRY PREBLE, Commander in the navy, was referred to Committee of the Whole House.

House Bill for the relief of VICTOR MYLENS, Lieutenant in the Sixty-eighth New-York Volunteers, was passed.

The House joint resolution for the relief of ALANSON EATON, Receiver of Public Money, at the Land Office at Steven's Point, Wisconsin, was passed.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole House on the private calendar; Mr. BOUTWELL in the chair.

All the bills were objected to except the following, which were laid aside to be reported to the House:

The House joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to audit and pay the claim of JOHN R. DUCALLIN. Senate bill for the relief of E. J. Ourney, House bill for the relief of EMMA A. FORCE. The Committee rose, and the three bills reported above were passed.

CONGRESSIONAL PRINTER.

Mr. LAFLIN, from the Committee on Printing, reported a bill providing for the election of a Congressional printer. The bill provides that the House of person who shall be a practical printer, to take charge Representatives shall vote one against a competent and manage the Government Printing Office. That the person so selected shall be in officer of the House, and shall be denominated the Congressional Printer, and shall hold his office for two years, and until his successor shall be elected. He is to print and bind the journals, and make other documents as may be ordered by each House of Congress, and to execute all the printing and binding for the respective Departments of the Government, now required by law to be executed at the Government Printing Office, and to be in all respects governed by the laws in force in reference to the Superintendent of Public Printing, and the execution of printing and binding, and abolishing the office of Superintendent of Public Printing.

Mr. LAFLIN made a statement in explanation of the bill, and offered to yield the floor for limited debate. No member, however, sought the floor for the purpose of discussing the bill, and therefore Mr. LAFLIN moved the previous question, which was seconded.

Mr. THOMAS moved to lay the bill on the table, and called for the yeas and nays on the motion. The yeas and nays were ordered.

DEATH OF HON. PHILIP JOHNSON.

Pending the vote Mr. ANCONA rose and announced the death of his colleague, HON. PHILIP JOHNSON, last Thursday evening, and after some remarks in eulogy of the life and character of the deceased, he offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House has heard with deep emotion the announcement of the death of Hon. PHILIP JOHNSON, member of the House from the State of Pennsylvania.

Resolved, That this House tender to the relatives of the deceased the expression of its sympathy on this affecting event; and that as a testimony of respect for the memory of the deceased the usual emblems of this House be in mourning, by wearing crape on the left arm during the remainder of the session.

Resolved, That the members of this House attend the funeral of the deceased from the Hall of the House at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, and that a Committee of Arrangements of nine members be appointed to superintend the same.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate a copy of the foregoing resolutions to the widow of the deceased; and further, that he communicate these proceedings to the Senate, with the request that it unite in the ceremonies of the occasion.

Resolved, That, as a further mark of respect for the memory of the deceased, this House do now adjourn.

Remarks in eulogy of the deceased were further made by Messrs. MOORHEAD, BAXTER and STRADER, after which the resolutions were unanimously agreed to.

The Speaker announced as the Committee of Arrangements Messrs. Glossbrenner, Fincke, Alley, Ferry, Moorhead, Niblack, Eldridge, Nicholson and Stigreaves.

The House at 3 P. M. adjourned.

NEW-YORK.

AFFAIRS AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

Imprisonment for Debt—Aaron Burr—A Breeze in the Assembly—Ocean Telegraphing.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Saturday, Feb. 2, 1867.

IMPRISONMENT FOR DEBT.

The Assembly Judiciary Committee and the Committee of the Whole having both approved of the bill in reference to enforcing the collection of debts due to domestic servants and other working women, it came up for a third reading this morning, and failed to receive the requisite number of votes. It lies on the table for reconsideration. This is the bill which authorizes imprisonment for debts of the class referred to, when not exceeding $25, the period of imprisonment not to exceed twenty-five days, and applies only to the City and County of New-York. It received 59 votes, being a considerable majority of those voting, but not a sufficient number to pass it. The bill has given rise to considerable feeling in consequence of the imprisonment for debt feature.

A REMINISCENCE OF AARON BURR.

The recollection of AARON BURR was revived by the passage in the Assembly to-day of a bill to repeal an act passed in 1804, giving the Church of the Intercession at Carmansville, in the City of New-York, the right to take real estate by devise. This bill was passed very quietly at the time mentioned, nobody here understanding of how much importance it really was, and no one supposing it possible a little rural parish could ever be the recipient of large devises of lands. But almost immediately after its passage, the celebrated Madame JUMEL, as to whose marriage with the late AARON BURR there was at one time so much romantic mystery, died, and it was discovered that she had made a will leaving to this little parish real estate enough to make it, after Trinity, the wealthiest church in America. The Courts have been engaged ever since with the litigation commenced by Mme. JUMEL'S heirs-at-law to set aside this will, and but for the compromise effected before trial, this would have been one of the *causes celebres* of our legal annals. The Church voluntarily surrenders the magnificent gift, and consents to a repeal of the act by which it was made an exception to our statutes against mortmain, and the heirs of law are justly enriched. The bill for this purpose was introduced and carried through by Mr. DAVELIN, who gave an interesting history of the testatrix and of her life with BURR. The principal beneficiary is a well-known New-York lawyer, Mr. NELSON CHASE, who was, with Mr. O'CONOR, the counsel for Mrs. FORBES in her divorce suit.

A BREEZE IN THE ASSEMBLY.

Hitherto the quarreling in the Assembly has been confined wholly to the harmonious Democratic delegation from New-York; but to-day there was a lively time among the country members. The interminable debate on public printing having been reached, the Speaker ruled Mr. WOOD out of order, an appeal was made and a free fight of the wordy order at once commenced. But after members had ventilated their views to their own satisfaction the appeal was withdrawn. It might have been as well to let it go to a vote, as the result would have been a lesson to those who run these ills against the Speaker. Mr. PITTS, so far, has managed the rather unruly body over him he presides with great skill and firmness, and has great personal popularity among members.

THE NEW OCEAN TELEGRAPH.

The bill to authorize the construction of the new line passed the Senate yesterday. Before the vote Mr. WILLIAMS moved to recommit the bill, for the purpose of explanation.

Mr. H. C. MURPHY said that at present telegraphic communication between this country and Europe is in the hands of a Power who is friendly now, but who is very likely to become unfriendly at some future time. Every patriotic consideration must prompt the desire that this matter shall not be absolutely within control of Great Britain. This bill simply proposes to establish communication between our own commercial emporium and the Empire of France. It provides that if the Company chartered does not lay a cable within two years, its rights and franchises shall cease. A monopoly, it is true, is granted for twenty years. But some encouragement is necessary in order to secure the investment of capital in the enterprise. As to the jurisdiction of the State of New-York over the subject there can be no question whatever.

Mr. GIBSON said that when the bill was passed in the Committee of the Whole, nothing was said in support of it, because it was believed that its importance and benefit were so manifest that they required no argument. It appeals to every patriotic heart. All will see the vast importance of making some provision by which, in case of war with Great Britain, the telegraphic communication with Europe shall not be in the hands of a monopoly, controlled by that Power. And the observation of history must convince all that such an event is not an impossibility in the future. The bill provides that the State shall have absolute control of any wire through the cable for a certain period every day.

Mr. WILLIAMS asked whether it was intended by the corporators named to go on and construct the line?

Mr. H. C. MURPHY answered that very few private individuals would be able to go forward and perfect such an enterprise. But if it be asked whether these persons intend to go forward and do all that is possible for them to do, the answer is that they do. One of the corporators is Mr. LEIGH, formerly a member of this Legislature, and a most honorable gentleman. He declares that the company have assurances of the subscription of sufficient capital, if the privileges embraced in the bill are granted. The monopoly asked for is essential to secure this capital. The design is to lay a cable from New-York to the Empire of France by way of the Azores.

Mr. LENT said the company gave evidence of the determination to lay a cable, by stipulating for the surrender of its privileges if one was not laid in two years.

Mr. E. CORNELL said he knew nothing of the bill and had not been consulted in reference to it. But he did know that the British Government had granted to the existing company the exclusive right to run cables from the coasts of Ireland and that of Newfoundland. Unless such privileges are granted in the present case, it is safe to assume that capital will not be invested in the enterprise.

Mr. WHITE said that the suggestion from the Senator from the Twelfth (Mr. GIBSON) touched the vital point in the case. The bill is intended not to create a monopoly, but to prevent one existing now. With regard to the cable which is now constructed, it may already become operative. Under these circumstances it may become an element of danger to this country. It is a monopoly against this country. What is now proposed is a monopoly for the benefit of the country. There is no argument against this principle which would not apply equally to all patent rights which are granted for the exercise and investment of the duties belong to foster interests which otherwise might be unable to develop. It is not necessary to suppose that the construction of this cable must depend entirely upon American capital. We can press into its support the capital of France and of the Continent. And all who know the facts understand that there is no reason perceived or motive to control the French mind than jealousy of the industrial resources of other nations. This was the stimulus to the Great Exposition intended to be held this year. There was only one question—whether the grant of this right would prevent the laying of another cable from Heart's Content to New-York. If there was this such prohibition, the measure was clearly entitled to the indorsement of the Senate.

Mr. H. C. MURPHY said that there was no provision in the act which could be nurtured so as to forbid a continuance of the present cable. But this danger was sufficiently obviated by the concluding motion, which left the matter entirely within the control of the Legislature of the State.

Mr. WILLIAMS said that no one was more ready than himself to encourage a measure of great public utility, and after the explanation made by Senators he would withdraw his motion and vote for the act.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

ALBANY, Saturday, Feb. 2.

The session of the Senate was brief to-day, a quorum not being present.

CITY OF ELMIRA.

Mr. REES introduced a bill amending the charter of Elmira, by dividing the city into six wards.

GENESEE VALLEY RAILROAD.

On motion of Mr. HUMPHREY, a bill relative to the election of the directors of the Rochester and Genesee Valley Railroad by the Common Council of Rochester was recommitted to the Railroad Committee.

ODD FELLOWS' HALL.

The bill amending the charter of the Odd Fellows' Hall Association of New-York was ordered to a third reading.

The Senate then adjourned until Monday evening.

ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker presented the annual report of the Cooper Union.

BILLS PASSED.

Authorizing the Supervisors of Dutchess County to levy a tax to pay for lands for an asylum for the insane.

Amending the Central Railroad law, giving equal facilities to express or freight companies.

To amend an act relative to joint stock companies.

REPORTS.

By Mr. VANDENBURGH—To authorize certain towns in Oneida, Chenango and Madison Counties to take stock in a railroad.

By Mr. POTTER—To amend the charter of New-Rochelle.

By Mr. RICE—To incorporate the New-York College of Dentistry.

By Mr. STRAUSBURGER—To amend the charter of the Blind Mechanics' Association.

By Mr. KIMBALL—To incorporate the Provident Fund Society of New-York.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By H. SMITH—To incorporate the National Telegraphic Union Association.

By Mr. VAN VALKENBURGH—To incorporate the City of Binghamton.

Also, to extend the time for the collection of taxes in Broome County.

By Mr. SPELLER—To enable National Banking Associations to become State Banking Institutions.

By Mr. JULLIAND—To incorporate the New-York Storage and Deposit Company.

By Mr. WEED—To make common schools in this State free to all.

Also, to compel horse railroad and other railroad companies to make reports.

By Mr. GIBBS—To facilitate the construction of the Oswego and Rondout Railroad by tunneling Pine Hill.

By Mr. WILBER—To incorporate the Loaners' and Trust Company of New-York.

Also, for the construction of a railroad in One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street and other streets in New-York.

By Mr. BURROWS—To amend the act relative to surplus funds in Savings Banks.

Also, to incorporate the Home Savings Bank in New-York.

By Mr. BUCKLEY—Relative to Commissioners of the Brooklyn Prospect Park.

By Mr. BERRYMAN—For a railroad in Twenty-third-street, Greenwich avenue and other streets in New-York.

By Mr. FARAH—To incorporate the New-York and Brooklyn Ferry Railroad Company.

By Mr. SHERMAN—In relation to certain departments of the New-York City Government.

Also to increase the salaries of the employes of the Paid Fire Department.

By D. P. WOOD—To provide means for the discharged sick and disabled soldiers.

By Mr. SCOUTT—To amend the General Bounty Act.

By Mr. TORRY—For an elevated railway in New-York.

Also in relation to the Buffalo Water Works Company.

Also in relation to the Buffalo harbor.

Also for the relief of the Buffalo and Cleveland Transportation Company.

Also for the relief of the Buffalo and Detroit Transportation Company.

Also to aid the construction of the Buffalo and Washington Railroad; it appropriates $500,000.

By Mr. COVEL—For the better protection of passengers and freight carried on railroads.

By Mr. RICHMOND—To amend the charter of the Little Falls village.

By Mr. RUDKOW—To allow the Tyrolers' Insurance Company to insure lives of individuals.

By Mr. OAKEY—To incorporate the New-York and African Transatlantic Company.

Also, to convert bonds of the Mariposa Company to preferred stock.

By Mr. HALSEY—In relation to the Seamen's Savings Bank in New-York.

By Mr. RICE—To incorporate the Oswego Historical Association.

By Mr. BOYD—To enlarge the boundaries of Waterloo Village.

By Mr. WADSWORTH—To enable corporations organized under general laws, to extend the term of their existence.

By Mr. LEFEVRE—In relation to gas meters in New-York.

By Mr. MAXWELL—To incorporate the National Warehouse and Security Company.

By J. G. BAKER—To regulate the Rhinebeck and Kingston Ferry.

By Mr. PENFIELD—To incorporate the New-York and Brooklyn Tunnel Company.

By Mr. TRAVIS—To incorporate the Producers' Warehouse, Guaranty and Commission Company.

By Mr. WILBER—To incorporate the Poughkeepsie Young Men's Christian Association.

By Mr. POTTER—To punish embezzlement.

By Mr. WADSWORTH—To amend the act relative to insurance companies.

Mr. CHAMBERS asked the unanimous consent to consider the resolutions relative to the investigation into the management of ferries between New-York and Brooklyn. Granted, and the resolutions adopted.

Mr. WADSWORTH called up the resolution expressing sympathy for the Greeks in their struggle against the Turks. Adopted.

Adjourned to Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Death of a Journalist in Boston.

BOSTON, Saturday, Feb. 2.

JAMES F. OTIS, a journalist well known in many leading cities, died in this city yesterday, after a lingering illness of some months. He was a son of JAMES A. OTIS, and nephew of the late H. G. OTIS, of this city, and was born at Newburyport.

The operatives of the Middlesex Woolen Mills at Lowell are on a strike, caused by reduction of wages.

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Feb. 2.

The Western Union Telegraph Company is now paying its January dividend at the office of the Company, No. 145 Broadway. Instead of sending out checks to the stockholders, as has been done heretofore, payment is made on their orders or drafts through banks, or otherwise, upon the treasurer of the Company. The change was made necessary in consequence of the loss and miscarriage of checks through the mails, and the frequent changes of residence, without notice, in a class of stockholders so wide and so largely scattered.

The Snow Blockade at Oswego.

OSWEGO, Saturday, Feb. 2.

The Rome and Oswego Railroad is not yet open. On the Oswego and Syracuse Road trains commenced running last night.

The Brig Ocean Wave Abandoned at Sea.

BOSTON, Saturday, Feb. 2.

The brig *Ocean Wave*, of Belfast, Capt. THOMAS, from Satilla River for New-York, was taken in with Jan. 19, in lat. 37°, long. 66°, in a sinking condition, and all hands taken off by the ship *John Sidney*, and brought to this port. The brig had experienced a succession of heavy gales and terrible seas, which straining the vessel caused her to leak badly, and her pumps could not keep her free. On the 31st of December she shipped a sea that washed away her boat, water casks, spare spars, &c., and the bad weather continuing unabated, she was finally abandoned when the sea was making a clear breach over her, and the water was up to her cabin floor.

CALIFORNIA.

Opening of a New Steamship Line to China—Great Expectations—Fears of an Increase in the Immigration of Celestials—A Bull against Dancing—Chinese Slavery.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Friday, Jan. 4, 1867.

The great event of the week was the sailing, on New-Year's Day, of the splendid steamship *Colorado* direct for China. This is the first steamship of the line that has sailed, and the occurrence was hailed as opening a new era in the commercial history of California. Crowds went down to see her leave the dock, and one enthusiastic old gentleman exclaimed that she was the first real missionary that had ever departed for the land of the benighted Celestials. The *Colorado* has been thoroughly overhauled and partly rebuilt, and is one of the finest steamers afloat. The Pacific Steamship Company intend that the boats of this line shall not be surpassed for elegance and comfort. As they are the pioneers in this line, they intend to compete vigorously for public patronage. All the trade with China is now carried on by sailing vessels; but if shippers can be made to feel satisfied that they can get their consignments carried through without delay and at small expense, they will give their patronage to the new line. The only drawback to the enterprise is the fear of a tremendous rush of Orientals to our shores. We have more of them now than we want. Those that are here now are just beginning to get Americanized in a small way, and the idea of having any more of the raw material on our hands is perfectly awful.

With the sailing of this steamer, steam travel round the world is complete. And those who wish to make a voyage round the globe can now enjoy the privilege. They can go to China from New-York by way of San Francisco, and at Hong Kong take the steamers of the English peninsular, Oriental or the French Messageries, which run by the way of India and the Red Sea. The establishment of this line will not only open a trade between this country, China and Japan, but will also open another and more important trade with the East Indies. As all this trade must come to San Francisco, our young and growing city is bound to become one of the greatest commercial emporiums in the world, and the Eastern people must not be surprised if in less than ten years they see a city rising upon these sand-hills that will rival not only New-York, but even London itself. The vast trade which the establishment of this line will create between this country and China, will make the rapid completion of the Pacific Railroad an immediate necessity, on account of the shortness of the route and the cheapness with which goods can be transported between the two countries. As this route will be much shorter than the one between Europe and China, we shall expect to see a large amount of the European trade pass over this route. The *Colorado* will go direct to Y

CURRENT LITERATURE.

SHIP ASHORE!

BY ARABIA T. JONES.

We two waited on the deck—
All around us rolled the sea;
Helpless, on our reeling wreck,
Storm and wave were we.

Silent, and worn were we.
Hope was all the boat went down,
Where the sun had dimpled from sight,
Over us, dark as Erebus, was night.

Eyes to eyes we stood alone,
Silent as the sea;
Despair; still, sun and sea were we!
Smitten by that wild cyclone,
All around be dost by sea,
Rose the sea, rushed the sea,
Roared the wrathful sea!

Cloudy shapes like hooded ghouls,
Driest past our endeavoring prows!
Death was reaching for our souls,
Chill his breath upon the brow:
Then, oh then were we aware,
Through all war below, above,
Of a Hope authority Arm—
Wrapped in Death unveiled, of Love?
Was it Death unveiled, of Love?
Heart to heart we stood alone,
Hand in hand we met the end,
Smiling and serene were we;
Tortured by that wild cyclone,
All around us shrove the sea,
Wailed the sea, mourned the sea,
Sobbed he rolling sea.

While we watched, a sudden tide
O'er our sinking vessel crossed;
Out among the waters wide,
Smiling still, we two were tossed;
Tossed and drifted, overcome
In a crowd of surges dread,
Burned and pashed, blind and dumb,
Swept by that dread cyclone,
All around us rocked the sea,
Par beneath that dread cyclone,
All around us rocked the sea,
Sweet it was to die with thee!
O my love, and men alone,
Adamo saved and I!" Eden Sundered
Wonland was more than half to me
Since we were together!
Through our slumber sweet and deep,
Slole the drowning light of dawn;
Heart and brain the warmth did steep,
Out of death our souls were drawn.
So we breathed, awoke, arose,—
Where sails no softly shone;
Never sails no more saved ship,
All around no sings the sea,
Glenns the sea, glides the sea,
Laughs the lovely sea!

Miss Oakley, rising untoward event, began to wish to out of the house, and proposed book-but after a peace had been signed and sealed, the peace-maker retired, her often the disagreement of hearing the fray recommence. Madame would have the last word, and would give the final thrust.

One morning Miss Oakley uttered a sentiment the detonated pair had overtaken a dispute to Oakley, fresh in and though faded in person, and myself. Of our fellow-lodgers I made no account, as they took no visible part or share in what occurred afterward.

Our landlady, Madame Dupuis, was a woman of forty-eight or fifty, long, of warm temper, and jealous on women younger than herself; a pleasable and pleasant manners, but with tact and shrewdness, not to say cunning. She had one grown-up son, Louis, a sole survivor of a large family. Possibly, she might entertain for him an ordinary amount of motherly love; she kept him under, and compelled him to remain in the background. She was the figure quite of the deepest interest in the establishment, the commander-in-chief.

Her husband was rarely seen. A casual visitor, making only a short stay, would not have been aware of his existence. Occupied in his trade all day at a distance, or in the workshop at the back of the house, he were the clothes of a gentleman, while he was splendid in her cape habit. Yet he was a member of the household he was reduced to zero—a cipher of the smallest account. All the rights he was allowed to take in the concern was the making out of the weekly bills. Presenting them was Madame's business.

During the whole of the reel of the evening there were no more single combats or cards. We had all participated in the play. And we had no quarreling—not even sharp and sneers darkened an undertone. Madame was at times a little absent. Dupuis occasionally repressed a slight chuckle; but it was scarcely perceptible. Over-looking the upper's privacy, or the natural pastime of the neighborhood, in the course of which Madame seized her daughter, Miss Emerson, by the hand, and dragged her to die with the[illegible] Without further ceremony, Miss Emerson was hurried off to bed, and the door closed behind her. Then came a tremulous whisper, "No, and Marguerite, he would much like to have seen Jerome Yet."

"That depends on circumstances," I interposed. "It is a basic country where no girls are allowed to go out alone, and where they are not allowed to receive visits from young men."

"Then Adele must be in that country," said Madame, "for she has never been out alone, and has never had a visit from a young man."

"Which makes it all the more romantic," joined Madame. "There is a charming walk along the shore, round the foot of the cape, returning by the top of the cliff. It is many a year since I have been there. How does one get to it again?"

"Oh, please papa, do let us go!" urged Marguerite. "Adele, Madame Chaffee, and myself, mate four, and will fill a carriage. It will be all right, will it not, Madame?"

"Not come? Are they both lost? I was about to say, 'What a walk is gone!' Why does not Jerome propose it?"

"Perhaps he does not know the road," replied Madame, with a sudden light flashing upon me. "I'm told it is rising fast. With your notice then, madame?" I exclaimed, "I'm sure he will be delighted to conduct the party."

"I—I hope so," she hesitatingly answered. "Let us fix the day, then." Madame Marguerite, with British impudence to carry out to the last, "The weather is fine, Monday or Tuesday, if you please."

"But," I observed, "it is a question of tide as well as weather. Have you the Gentle Annie's time-table in the house, Madame?"

"No," she replied, apathetically, as if the subject was of no consequence. "I never look at it. Jerome is the best judge of that. Ask him."

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

We have dispatches to Feb. 2 by Atlantic Telegraph.

It is reported that the Queen, in her speech on the opening of Parliament, will propose reform measures; but another dispatch states that no specific bill will be introduced by the Government.

There is a rumor that Mr. LAIRD himself offers to pay the *Alabama* claims.

The French Emperor will soon issue a decree granting the right of social and religious meetings.

The North German Confederation have adopted a flag, of which the colors are to be black, white and red. Count BISMARCK has refused to make a declaration of his policy with regard to the relations of Germany to Belgium and France.

GARIBALDI discountenances any uprising of the people of Rome.

A destructive earthquake has occurred on the West Coast of Africa.

Advices from Mexico announce that MAXIMILIAN intends to remain in that country, if the Congress soon to assemble will sustain him.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, a bill was passed authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to return the iron-clad *Onondaga* to her builder on his refunding the amounts paid to him. A bill authorizing the Judges in the Territory of Idaho to appoint the times and places of holding Courts, and directing the Legislature to meet biennially, was passed. The joint resolution authorizing mail service three times a week between San Francisco and Portland, Oregon, was passed. The Bankrupt Bill was debated by Messrs. STEWART, FOSTER, POLAND and DOOLITTLE. The amendment offered by Mr. WILSON, exempting from levy and sale property of the value of $2,000, was disagreed to. The question then recurred on the amendment proposed by the Judiciary Committee to strike out the proposition exempting from sale so much property as is exempted by the laws of the State in which the debtor resides. After the discussion, the amendment was disagreed to—yeas 14, nays 26. The bill to regulate the tenure of office was received from the House and discussed. Before action could be taken on it, the Clerk announced that in consequence of the death of PHILIP JOHNSON, Representative from Pennsylvania, the House had adjourned. Mr. BUCKALEW eulogized the life and character of the deceased, after which the Senate adjourned.

In the House, Mr. HOOPER asked consent to introduce a motion to the effect that on and after Monday next the House should take a recess from 4:30 to 7:30 daily. Mr. WENTWORTH objected unless it was agreed that no votes should be taken at the evening sessions. Mr. HOOPER would not consent to this, so gave notice that on Monday he would move to suspend the rules and have the matter acted on by the House. The Tenure of Office Bill came up, the question being on reconsidering the vote rejecting the amendment of Mr. WILLIAMS, which excepts Cabinet officers from the operations of the bill. The vote was reconsidered, and the amendment adopted by a vote of yeas 82, nays 63. The bill, as amended, was then passed by a vote of 111 yeas to 38 nays. It includes Cabinet officers among those who shall not be removed except with the advice and consent of the Senate. Mr. ANCONA announced the death of Hon. PHILIP JOHNSON, member of the House from Pennsylvania, and resolutions of condolence and sympathy with the friends of the deceased were adopted. Addresses of eulogy were made by Messrs. BAYER, MOORHEAD and STRAUSS, after which the House adjourned.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate, yesterday, very little business was transacted, no quorum being present. Two or three bills of a private character were introduced, and the Senate adjourned until Monday evening.

In the Assembly very little was done. A few bills were introduced, among them one for a railroad in Greenwich-avenue and other streets; also one in reference to certain departments of the New-York City Government, and one for an elevated railroad in this City. A bill to incorporate the Brooklyn Tunnel Company was introduced by Mr. PENFIELD. The House adjourned until Monday evening.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Postmaster-General has been informed of the robbery of the Post-office at Salem, N. J., which was entered on Friday night and all the letters therein broken open, the money taken, but the stamps, drafts, money orders, the letters, and everything else left behind. This is the third office that has been entered in the space of a little over a month, and the manner in which the robberies have been perpetrated induces the belief that they have been accomplished by the same party or parties. The two former robberies were the offices at Port Deposit, Md., and West Chester, Penn.

The Camden and Amboy and New-Jersey Railroad Companies, whose lines complete the road between New-York and Philadelphia, *via* Jersey City and New-Brunswick, have taken preliminary measures to consolidate their interests. The necessary papers were signed by the leading directors yesterday, subject to the consent of two-thirds of the stockholders, and the ratification of the New-Jersey Legislature.

A bill, at present before the Missouri Legislature, provides that the keeper of a gambling-house or house of bad repute shall, on conviction, be punished by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not less than three months nor more than one year. The punishment by fine is abolished by the proposed bill.

The contributions to the Memorial Building, which it is proposed to erect at Cambridge in honor of the Alumni of Harvard College who fell during the rebellion, has reached nearly $200,000, but this sum will not be sufficient to carry out the original plans. It is proposed to erect the building on the Delta.

DEXTER RICHARDS, Esq., of Newport, N. H., has founded a scholarship of $1,000 at Dartmouth College, and Hon. DANIEL M. CHRISTIE, of Dover, has given $500 to the general fund of the same institution.

A dispatch from Kansas reports the killing of fifty-nine emigrants by Indians near Smoky Hill River. The Indians are reported to belong to the Cheyenne tribe.

Hon. PLINY MERRICK, lately Judge of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts, died in Boston on Friday afternoon.

LOCAL NEWS.

The steamship *Iroquois* sailed from the Navy-yard Feb. 1, for the Asiatic Squadron. The gunboat *Huron* will sail on the 4th for Brazil, and the side-wheel steamer *Susquehanna* about the 7th, as flag ship of Rear-Admiral PALMER, North Atlantic squadron. The frigate *Madawaska* and steamer *Rhode Island* have been laid up in ordinary. The sloop *Narragansett* is reported ready for officers and crew. The sloop *Oneida* and gunboats *Pequot* and *Quinnebaug* will be completed in two weeks. Much difficulty has been experienced in prosecuting work on board vessels lying off the yard, consequent upon the ice; in some cases the vessels cannot be reached, and there is not wharfage room for them. The Chief-Engineer of the yard, J. W. KING, has returned from the South and resumed his duties.

The steamship *R. R. Cuyler* was seized yesterday by Surveyor WAKEMAN, by order of the Government, on suspicion of having been fitted out as a Chilian or Peruvian privateer. The owners claim that they sold the vessel to the Colombian Government, having been assured by the authorities at Washington that there was no legal obstacle in the way of their doing so, and that under that assurance they have a right to finish their contract with the purchasers and deliver the vessel to them.

From the first annual report of the managers of the "Home," in West Houston-street, it appears that, during the year 114 women were admitted, of whom 14 were discharged for misconduct, 11 were returned to their friends, 26 were provided with situations, 8 have gone to other institutions, 3 have been sent to the hospital, 12 have left on their own request, and 30 remain in the institution. The Treasurer's account shows a balance of $4,966 19.

Mr. WM. LAFFERTY, of No. 274 East Fifty-fifth-street, was yesterday arraigned before Justice HOGAN on a charge of attempt at rape upon ANNIE CASEY, a servant in his employ. He was fully exonerated on the evidence offered by the defence.

United States Commissioner OSBORN yesterday discharged CHAS. KELLY and the other prisoners charged with mutiny on board the schooner *Alfred Tyrel*, on their own recognizance, till Monday morning.

The Court of Oyer and Terminer for February will commence to-morrow, Justice INGRAHAM presiding.

President Johnson—The Damaging Influence of False Accusations.

One of the weaknesses connected with the indiscriminate and unmeasured abuse of Mr. JOHNSON, which has been indulged in so largely in Congress and elsewhere, is that its force is necessarily very soon exhausted. Violent and extravagant invective against an individual cannot conveniently be continued for any great length of time, unless his crimes are palpable and horrible; and without this, the moment there is any slackening of it, doubts as to its justice begin to enter the popular mind, after which nothing is simpler than the progress toward a reversion of public opinion. Moreover, after the highest charges of criminality have been insisted on, anything less grave appears of little consequence, and a man may escape punishment for his actual offences simply because he has been falsely accused in matters of which he was innocent. If a person has been guilty of parricide, it is a small thing that he has also been guilty of tying a pan to a dog's tail. If the accusations made in Congress against Mr. JOHNSON were true, that he is guilty of habitual drunkenness, of treason, conspiracy and complicity with assassination, it is surely a small affair that he should veto the Colorado Bill, and a very small concern whether or no he vetoes the present Tariff Bill after it passes. In fact, he may be said to have a license to commit all minor offences with impunity, for they will attract little attention, and meet with but little reprehension, as long as the others remain unretracted or unpunished.

We think there is danger of the country suffering from this cause during the remainder of the term which President JOHNSON is pretty sure to serve out. It cannot certainly be expected that he will feel as open to censure and remonstrance, or that the opinion of Congress will have any such weight with him, as though he had only been charged with such official and personal misdemeanors as have plausible arguments to support them; and no more can it be supposed that the people, or his adherents among them, will entertain any such solicitude about his course on lesser matters as they would do, were there any party purposes or prospective objects to be subserved by it, or were there not matters apparently far graver with which they found it more profitable to deal.

Judging by his political and personal antecedents, it is fair to conclude that no public man in America would be more ready to follow the direction of the popular mind, or more anxious to obey the instructions given by the people whom he has so often acknowledged to be "always right." It is the same thing to say that no public man would be so slow to set up his own personal will or individual conviction against that popular determination and public conscience which must ultimately be the controlling forces in our form of government. If, therefore, the President has done so, in a style that is altogether egotistical, the fact must be attributed to circumstances that have altered the natural course of his disposition, and changed a purpose which had been practically illustrated in all the previous events of his political career.

The present decrease in the violence of the assaults on President JOHNSON is not to be attributed to want of opportunity, or to the lack of things about which assault is possible. It may be partly owing to the fact that the matter has been so greatly overdone. Not only was the catalogue of crimes exhausted in the accusations, so that it was impossible to add a new charge to those already preferred against him, but there began to arise in the public mind something like disgust over the way in which the whole business was carried on. Some, at least, of the charges were credible only to those who were entirely blinded by passion and incapable of exercising their reason; and as they came from the same parties, and seemed to have about the same sort of foundation as other charges a shade less shocking in character, these last, too, began to lose their force upon the public mind. People got in such a condition as to begin to demand *proof* regarding things of such profound gravity and such measureless importance; and as this has not been furnished in such a way as to satisfy any human soul, it is not unnatural that further invective should have an entirely different effect from that which it is intended to have. Instead of being satisfactory, in fact, the so-called proof of the "high crimes" laid to President JOHNSON'S charge have been ridiculous. If they were admitted as conclusive, we have not had a President within the present century who would not be open to impeachment and removal.

It is to be hoped that unless there are some really "awful revelations" to be made about the criminality of President JOHNSON, in some specific matter, there will now be an end to the atrocious charges which have been so loosely bandied against him. We shall then have an opportunity to take him to task for his real delinquencies, and the criticism of reasonable men will have some effect upon the public mind, as well as upon the President himself.

THE PROPOSED MILITARY UNION OF ALL GERMANY.—The last European mail brought the information that the Southern States of Germany had proposed a military union to the Northern States. Whatever the object or the nature of the proposition may have been, it will be found, when fully known, that it is of much less significance, and not at all of that sweeping character, as the first telegrams announcing it would have led us to believe. A "military *union*," such as to be of any advantage to either section of Germany—and none other is likely to be agreed to—seems to us, in the present temper of the people, to be impossible. The military position Prussia has gained by the war ensures to her the lead in the North, and all the troops of the Northern Confederacy are, in effect, but the army of Prussia. It is exceedingly improbable that Prussia should now accede to a "union" which would again introduce a dualistic administration of the military power, and it is just as impossible that Wurtemburg, Bavaria, Darmstadt would yield to Prussia the exclusive control of their armed forces. Very likely, the whole thing reduces itself to this: In Baden the introduction of the Prussian needle-gun has been resolved upon, and other military reforms are intended upon the Prussian model. In Wurtemberg, another system of armament and organization is to be introduced, and in Bavaria, still another. Since the accession of Prince HOHENLOHE to the Premiership of Bavaria, a less inimical feeling toward Prussia has manifested itself in the acts of that Government, but no further than merely to establish an interchange of friendly sentiments, and the consciousness of a community of material interests among all parts of Germany, while maintaining intact and unimpaired the independence and sovereign rights of the Southern States. It may, therefore, be that a kind of convention has been proposed for the introduction of a similar military organization in all States alike, so that in case of foreign war, all the German troops may be efficient co-workers in the common defence, without yielding up their distinctive special nationality as Bavarians, Wurtembergers, &c. This is possible; a "union" not.

Rents and Real Estate.

Among the grievances to which New-York and its surroundings have, owing to reckless extravagance and as reckless cupidity, been subjected for the last two years, is the exorbitant, absurdly exorbitant, rental which the inhabitants have been compelled to pay for house and store accommodation. This rental has destroyed many a business establishment and pinched many a home. The landlords used their opportunity without relenting and without stint. And no doubt they will endeavor to repeat the process in the year of occupation which begins on the 1st of May. A great portion of their success has been owing, not to the scarcity of buildings, but to that intolerable system which fixes on the 1st of May as a universal moving day. No other community submits to such a system. It invites combinations of property-owners; it creates an annual scare; it adds to the expense, confusion and destruction caused by changes of business or residence, and it subserves no one useful purpose.

Perhaps it would not have been easy to change the method of renting during recent years; but there is an opportunity now, and that opportunity is created by the following facts: New-York has lost rather than gained population; thousands of the best class of tenants have sought homes miles away upon lines of railroads, and other thousands have not taken their places. The swarms of people who filled our hotels are gone, and emptiness remains. Families without number have gone into boarding-houses to escape the landlord's tyranny, and, what is more significant still, there are houses all over the island, and in Brooklyn, to say nothing of Jersey City and Hoboken, which are for sale and which will not be sold. On the first of May there will be closed in this City and Brooklyn, as we have ascertained from reliable sources, not less than two thousand liquor stores whose owners are relinquishing their trade under the operation of the Excise Law. There is, in short, a general depreciation of real estate, partly from the avarice of its holders, and partly from the return of City life to something like its condition before the war.

No property-owner in his senses will deny these facts, nor has any the right to complain. The cost of living has been and still is extravagant, but it must give way even still more than it has at present. In all departments of trade prices are continually becoming lower, and must so continue. The people cannot afford to pay war prices in peace times, and will not. Of course the fair advances caused by taxation are proper and just, but beyond that advance the people will not go.

This lowering of prices must affect real estate, and it is the wisest course of those who hold it to recognize the fact. We said about this time last year that the fearfully high rents demanded would drive both tenants and purchasers into the country, and that this natural refuge from extortion would be more and more sought. Our words have been justified to the full. The morning and evening railway trains and ferries attest their truth. Where do the owners of these fine up-town residences—at Murray Hill and elsewhere—which have been empty all the year, suppose their hoped-for tenants have gone? A glance at the well-known faces of City men who come in daily by train and boat furnishes the information. But apart from the depopulation of the City, which is certainly progressing, there remains the one stern logic of increased poverty and depressed business. We are told that the number of those who are seeking a livelihood far away increases. We hear of numerous stores—not the liquor stores we alluded to above—which will want tenants. We know of regions where villages are springing up in which the clerk or the professional man may live in far better style than in this dirty, noisy City, or its scarcely less noisy and dirty neighbors, and at far less expense. And the prophecy is a safe one that the improved methods of transit which are inevitable will open out new regions of easy access, and where domestic life is peaceful, expenditure modest and temptations few. Our landlords have educated New-Yorkers out of their love for New-York as a City of residence, and so have the landlords of Brooklyn. Do they they think that this will be the end of it? If they do, they are mistaken. Large interests will be diverted, and the homes of the people will in due course draw toward them the trade and industries of the people.

In thus speaking, we would add that the people have it now in their power to change this state of things, in a great measure. In the first place, let them rest assured that there will be no lack of houses and stores between now and May 1. Let them also rest assured that, although owners try and agents try to coerce tenants by the vague threat of dispossession, there is no danger that a good tenant will be parted with. Rents are ridiculously high—the attempt will be made to keep them so; nay, a few insane persons may try to raise them. But there are few property-owners who are not prepared to give way, if there is real pressure brought to bear upon them. As for the May moving, let tenants seek leases which may expire at any portion of the year, upon giving three months' notice—that is to say, after the close of the first year's occupation. Above all, let tenants remember—those who pay their rents, at least—that their landlord does value their money, and just as much as if it came out of groceries or dry goods.

Confederate Cruisers in Continental Courts—An Interesting Insurance Decision.

Oddly enough, many of the most elaborate discussions upon the precise legal *status* of the Southern Confederacy, and upon the public acts committed by persons clothed with alleged Confederate authority, have sprung up on the other side of the Atlantic. More especially in the matter of the Confederate privateers, these transatlantic disputations have been very grave and earnest. The famous theses of the *Pall Mall Gazette* and London *Times* upon the *Alabama* capture have been echoed by the Press of all Europe; and now, it appears, the Continental Courts have had occasion to take cognizance of a class of piracy cases similar to those which, in the cases of the *Chesapeake* and the *J. L. Gerrity*, disturbed the Queen's Bench.

The Tribunal of Commerce, a Court sitting in Bremen, recently had an insurance case brought before it, involving an inquiry into the character of the *Shenandoah*. An American-built vessel, sailing under the Hawaiian flag, was, it seems, destroyed by that Anglo-Confederate cruiser. She was insured in Bremen, and the policy covered the perils of the sea, in the ordinary language, including piracy, but excluding war risks. A claim was accordingly made upon the Bremen underwriters, on the ground that piracy was included among the perils of the sea insured against, and that the vessel had been, in fact, destroyed by a pirate. But the underwriters refused to pay the loss, alleging that they had expressly excepted war risks from their policy, and the vessel had been destroyed by a regular war-vessel. On this simple and single issue the parties resorted to the Court for a judicial decision. There was no avoiding the point, no shifting the case to a side issue. The facts being stated, the Court felt itself obliged to answer this direct interrogation: Was the armed cruiser *Shenandoah* a pirate or a war vessel?

The decision was that the *Shenandoah* was a pirate, that the vessel insured had been destroyed by an act of piracy, that the act was not in the exception of "war risks," and that the defendants—*i. e.*, the underwriters—must pay the insurance. Whether the decision will be appealed the Bremen papers—for example, the *Weser Zeitung*—do not inform us; but it is hardly probable.

The ground on which this important decision was made was expressly stated to be this: That the pretended Confederate Government in Richmond never acquired such sovereignty as to possess the admitted right of a sovereign Power to issue letters of marque. Since, therefore, the decision of the case rests upon a broad principle, it may well be cited as a precedent before any tribunal on either side of the Atlantic. It will possess interest, at least, as shedding light upon similar cases which have arisen among us.

There is, indeed, an important distinction, as we think, to be drawn on this matter of piracy. So far as it is an international dispute, or a matter between governments, the question may be different from what it is when it arises between individuals in a foreign country, and as concerned with mercantile transactions. We may presume, in the absence of fuller knowledge, that the Bremen Court, in the case just described, acted on the historic fact that the Richmond rebellion is defunct, and that to the whilom Government there no appeal is possible. If the destruction of the lost vessel was an act of war, then the power which authorized the destruction could be applied to for reimbursement. But there was no Government or sovereign Power extant, within the knowledge of the Court, to which either insurer or insured could have recourse. It was therefore clear that, as far as these parties were concerned, the act complained of was an act of mere piracy.

But would the Court go on and say that this was an act of *absolute* piracy? That the personal *status* of the officers and crew of the *Shenandoah* was that of pirates? That they ought to be apprehended and punished as such if they should appear in Bremen? This point the Court, of course, did not need decide. We should not be surprised, however, if the tribunal would have gone to the length of declaring the *Shenandoah* a pirate by the law of nations. That is the light in which the American people have always desired to put her. That is the light in which the British Government, from their opposite views on the subject of rebel belligerency, have declined to put her. At present, however, we must rest content with the interesting practical point decided by the Bremen Court—namely, that, as between the underwriters and the insured, the *Shenandoah* was not a "Confederate war vessel," but a pirate.

WHICH ARE THE BRUTES?—New-York is noted among the cities of the world for many startling peculiarities. Its municipal government is not unknown to fame, its tenement-house system has frequently been referred to, its free-and-easy habit of selecting officials has a reputation among the political economists of the earth, and its filthy streets are, perhaps, as thoroughly dreaded as any other nuisance in the "land of the brave and the home of the free." At different periods of the year different peculiarities are most apparent. Just now, for instance, seems to be the season for a species of brutality that breaks out among cartmen, coachmen, car-drivers and omnibus-forcers. The condition of the streets, it may be necessary to remind the public, is simply shocking. No word as yet has been coined that adequately describes the slush—a happy mixture of snow, and mud, and filth—that makes our streets impassable and our sidewalks dangerous; and, in default of such word, we decline to characterize it. Suffice it to say, horses find it next to impossible to secure a foothold upon the road, even when drawing light loads, and when they are overburdened it becomes a matter of life and limb with them. Broadway witnesses hourly scenes of brutality that recall the days of the Inquisition. It really seems as if the men to whom are entrusted the management of our horses had been maddened with some strange distemper, whose most violent outbreak needed only the stumble or fall of an animal. A generous, hard-working horse, with an immense load at his back, pants and struggles along the slippery way—made nervous by the idiot who jerks his reins, frightened by the shouting and screaming of other idiots, disheartened by the apparent vanity of his effort—suddenly slips, stumbles, and falls heavily to the ground. Of course he is frightened. The driver at first whips and jerks at him, then, swearing, puts down and pulls at his head; then kicks him in the stomach, and in his rage and disconcertion pulls his tail, hauls at his mane, runs the bit far to one side, and so entirely demoralizes the poor horse that he is utterly distracted. We met an emblematic instance of this kind of management yesterday afternoon, opposite the Metropolitan Hotel. A huge sled, heavily laden with bags of feed or grain, was toiling down up the street, when it came to the "Brooks' Bridge" of bare stones, and there that panting, sweating team gave out. The driver shouted and swore, raged and tore, whipped and yanked, but to no good purpose, for the willing horses were literally good for nothing. Their head and heart and legs were gone. After sixteen minutes of useless inhumanity, the driver dismounted, and using the butt end of his heavy whip, again and again belabored the horses. He kicked and pulled and goaded them, with the normal result. Presently a gentleman stepped from the crowd, took the head of the trembling horse in his hand, smoothed and patted him, and finally succeeded in partially undoing the great folly of the driver. After a little, by the assistance of others, the sled was got off the pavement and the horses started along. It is quite time that some remedy was enforced against these fellows who disgrace their name, and degrade humanity by their brutality. We need a race of drivers, to begin with; but that, it seems, we are not to have. The society for the prevention of this kind of cruelty makes but little headway in the City, and cannot until public sentiment indorses the summary and signal punishment of the offenders. Doubtless there are none of our readers who have not seen and shuddered at instances of folly and cruelty like these, time and time again, during the present season; and we are quite sure they will entirely agree with us that it is high time that something should be done in the premises.

AMERICAN INDUSTRY AND AMERICAN MECHANICS.—Mr. WM. H. WEBB, the eminent shipbuilder of this City, has recently, for the benefit of our law-makers, embodied his views as to the causes of the destruction of the business of ship-building in America. He attributes it mainly to the very extraordinary advance within the last few years in the prices of all materials and labor required for the construction of vessels—the advance in labor being about seventy-five per cent., and in material from fifty to sixty per cent. There are minor causes spoken of, such as the commercial changes caused by the rebellion, the employment of steamers in the emigrant trade, and the diversion of capital to pursuits that are temporarily more profitable. On this last point, he remarks that "the extraordinary high tariff upon foreign manufactures enables those engaged in manufacturing in this country to make enormous profits, which fact has drawn much of the capital heretofore embarked in ship-owning and the labor of the country into manufactories." Some of these drawbacks to the prosperity of this important pursuit can only be removed by the progress of time; but others are fit subjects of legislation even by the present overburdened Congress. For example, Mr. WEBB says:

"Reduce the present high tariff on bar and sheet iron and copper, hemp and cordage, canvas, chains and anchors, and the general equipment of vessels, all of which can be done without destroying our manufactures, simply reducing their enormous profits, and we can again successfully compete with foreign-built ships, and regain a portion of the lost trade, notwithstanding the present high prices of material and labor, for both of which it is hoped the price will eventually fall to a reasonable standard, (though doubtless if ever again as low as formerly,) and the reduction of the tariff will tend greatly to this reduction of wages."

It is noteworthy that in the course of Mr. WEBB'S review of the decay of American shipbuilding, he twice alludes to a singular and significant fact to which we some time ago called attention—that is, the impossibility of getting apprentices now-a-days in this country. In one place he speaks of the "unwillingness of the rising generation to apprentice themselves to mechanical business, and the consequent and increasing difficulty of obtaining skilled labor;" and in another place he says: "Now that the American youths refuse to apprentice themselves to mechanical business, and the foreign element of labor is being largely introduced into the business, the state of the labor is rapidly depreciating and assimilating to that existing in Europe, with the attending ruinous strikes." We know that a complaint of similar character with this is made by employers in many other trades and mechanical pursuits. Our smart lads in these times will be shop-boys, or clerks, or anything rather than apprentices to a trade which requires application and skill and work. A hundred youths will answer an advertisement for an office-boy, while hardly one can be found to take the trouble even to turn up his nose at an offer to apprentice himself to a respectable trade. The sign is a bad one for the country.

KEROSENE AND ITS DANGERS.—We are informed that the substance which is used to adulterate kerosene is *naptha*, and that the practice is common, creating great danger to the consumer. The subject is a very serious one, and should engage the attention of those with whom the remedy lies.

WHO ARE THE WINNERS?—It seems not a little curious that nobody knows, at least we hear of nobody who knows, of winners of prizes in the lottery which came off in this City last week. In one neighborhood the inmates of a large boarding-house held seventy tickets, and not one of them was the gainer except of a loss. The many friends and acquaintances of the seventy holders had also tickets—all blanks. Three people that we heard of held each twenty-five chances, and all chanced to lose. These three knew of other three similarly situated, and so on. These facts are mentioned with no purpose of reflecting upon the fairness of the enterprise, but they do present a warning which is worth treasuring up. The very mild interpretation of the word "lottery," which has become prevalent, shuts out of view the ugly word "gambling." Those who purchase shares in a lottery are gamblers—that is, they gamble. They do no less than those who "play policy," or frequent the faro table. If they lose they are not to be sympathized with, and that they are tolerably sure to lose is pretty apparent. Those who enter these ventures, gotten up for a philanthropic purpose, do not enter from motives of philanthropy. They probably, in many cases, hardly know what philanthropy is, although they use its name to cover their speculation. There is, therefore, not the least use in reverting to the bad influence of lotteries in general upon the rising generation. The argument which will go straightest to their apprehension is that nobody means to win.

THE FERRIES.—Not one of the ferry companies has taken the least notice—except, indeed, Mr. SEAMAN'S plaintive mention of the Barclay-street gas bill, he notice—of the loud complaints of the public who have to use their boats. This is as we predicted. The deliberate purpose and method of these Companies are to treat the public with contempt, and as they are thick-skinned personages they can bear the shower of denunciations hurled upon them with tolerable equanimity. This being so there is all the more necessity for the inquiry by the Committee on Commerce and Navigation. That Committee will, we presume, visit the City; we trust at once. There is no reason why the travel across our rivers should be a daily pest as it now is, and as the Legislature is the only source of refuge, let its action be speedy and thorough. The following is from a Hoboken lady:

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Your remarks on the management of the Hoboken Ferry are true enough. Let any one who doubts the truth of what you have said about the Company start to go to Hoboken, say about 5:30 P. M. If the boat does not happen to be in the slip you are *penned* in a narrow gangway, or obliged to go into the waiting-room and breathe the most nauseating tobacco smoke possible. The boat arrives; you crowd your way on board of it to find all the seats occupied in the ladies' cabin. The gentlemen will not sit in their cabins, preferring to occupy the ladies' side and to squirt tobacco juice all over the floor. Some of your readers would say that it is not gentlemanly to spit on the floor, but that does not remedy the evil. Let the reform commence with the Company; let them withdraw the old rickety boats and replace them by larger and more commodious ones, and let them be kept clean, repair the ferry-slips and make more liberal accommodations in the waiting-rooms.

I should think that HOWIN A. STEVENS had accumulated wealth sufficient out of the proceeds of the travel on the ferries to be a little more liberal to those who are obliged to cross the river in one of his boats.

F. W. T.

Robbery on Street Cars.

ASTOR LIBRARY, NEW-YORK,
Friday, Feb. 1, 1867.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The travel upon the Third-avenue Railroad has become so dangerous from pickpockets and thieves in the evening, that I deem it my duty to give to the public the following facts:

Returning yesterday evening from down-town, about 6 o'clock, I attempted to get out from one of the Third-avenue cars at the corner of Fourth-street and Bowery, but was prevented by a gang of desperadoes, who held me tightly until my pockets were rifled of $85, and then at the corner of Seventh-street I was violently thrown from the cars. My cries for help were not heeded by the conductor, a small, elderly man, who evidently was afraid to displease this gang. A policeman, whom I met at the corner of Eleventh-street afterwards, and to whom I pointed out the car where I had been robbed, said he could render me no assistance whatever. Now in the name of common sense, I ask, shall such a state of things be permitted? Is there no redress?

E. R. STRAENICKY, Librarian.

WASHINGTON.

Official Publication of Acts of Congress—The Fort Phil. Kearny Massacre—Particulars of the Affair—Freedmen in Kentucky—Disbursements and Receipts—Issues of Fractional Currency and National Bank Notes—Public Lands.

To the Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 2.

Official publication is made of the act to repeal the thirteenth section of the law of July, 1862, which section is as follows:

"*Be it further enacted*, That the President is hereby authorized at any time hereafter, by proclamation, to extend to persons who may have participated in the existing rebellion in any State or part thereof, pardon and amnesty, with such exceptions and at such times and on such conditions as he may deem expedient for the public welfare."

Official publication is also made of the act providing that, from and after its passage, there shall be no denials of the elective franchise in any of the Territories of the United States, now or hereafter to be organized, to any citizen thereof on account of race or color, or previous servitude; and all acts or parts of acts, either of Congress or of the legislative assemblies of said Territories, inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby declared null and void.

Such bill is signed by the officer of the House and of the Senate, and the following note is attached by the Department of State:

"The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the House of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval."

THE FORT PHIL. KEARNY MASSACRE.

The Secretary of War to-day communicated to the Senate, in answer to the resolution of Jan. 18, the telegrams and other official communications relative to the massacre of United States troops by Indians on the 21st of December last, near Fort Phil. Kearny, in Dakotah.

The report of Gen. COOKE shows that three officers, Lieut.-Col. FETTERMAN, Capt. BROWN and Lieut. GRENWOOD, and ninety men were killed.

Lieut.-Gen. SHERMAN, in forwarding the partial report of the Commanding-General, says that he can make no recommendations for a court-martial until he receives the sub-report of Col. CARRINGTON and Gen. WESSELS.

On the 26th of January Gen. SHERMAN forwarded to Gen. GRANT an extract from a private letter received at his office from a sergeant at the fort, describing the horrors of the massacre.

It represents that no one escaped; that "all were butchered and scalped, their bodies gashed and chopped with knives and tomahawks, stripped of every article of dress, and shot through and through with arrows."

The writer complains of the conduct of the Indian Commissioners, and says that they "are furnishing the Indians with guns and ammunition to hunt with, and they are using them to murder white men."

The official report estimates the number of Indians attacking the massacred party at 3,000. There are detachments of six companies, with five officers, at the post. Their numbers are deemed too few, and the weather too intensely cold, to admit of aggressive operations at present.

SALE OF ARMS TO INDIANS—A PROTEST.

The Secretary of War has addressed a communication to Representative SCHENCK, for the information of the Military Committee, inclosing letters from Gens. GRANT and SHERMAN, strongly protesting against the authority of CHARLES BOGY and others given to Indian traders to sell arms and ammunition to Indians. Gen. SHERMAN, with the approval of Gen. GRANT, has set aside the order. The Indians show signs of war, and are much dissatisfied with the unequal distribution of presents; and they seem to be preparing for war. These military officers say the troops had better be withdrawn at once, if arms are to be placed in the hands of the savages.

FREEDMEN IN KENTUCKY.

The Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau has received the report of Brevet Brig.-Gen. JOHN ELY, United States Volunteers, Chief Superintendent and Inspector of Freedmen's Affairs for the State of Kentucky, giving in detail the operations of the Bureau in the State for the month of December. It appears therefrom that the number of contracts made during the month was fifty-four, and the average rate of wages paid to males per month was $16 41, and to females $8 50, including rations and quarters. Gen. ELY states that the outrages upon Rev. A. SOMOFIELD and the breaking up of the freedmen's school at Camp Nelson, Ky., by regulators, have been thoroughly investigated, but none of the parties concerned in the outrage have been arrested as yet, owing to the inability of Mr. SOMOFIELD to identify them. The school at that place has not yet been reopened. The receipts for contracts approved, issuing marriage licenses, and for fines and forfeitures during the month, were $265. The number of paupers had increased during the month to some extent, and cases of extreme destitution had been reported.

DISBURSEMENTS AND RECEIPTS.

The following amounts of money were disbursed at the Treasury Department during the week ending to-day: War Department, $2,160,028; Navy Department, $333,329; Interior Department, $179,231. The total amount disbursed during the month of January is as follows: To the War Department, $8,599,613; to the Navy Department, $3,781,027; to the Interior Department, $1,261,699.

The amount of fractional currency redeemed and destroyed at the Treasury Department during the past week was $920,100.

The receipts from Internal Revenue to-day were $1,622,265 45, making the total amount of receipts for the week ending to-day, $5,838,587 90.

The amount of securities held by the Treasurer of the United States in trust for National Banks reported to-day, are as follows: For circulation notes, $349,510,100; for deposits of public moneys, $38,761,450.

ISSUES OF FRACTIONAL CURRENCY.

The amount of fractional currency printed at the Treasury for the week ending to-day was $156,108. During the same week there was forwarded to the Assistant Treasurers at New-Orleans and St. Louis $100,000 each; to the Assistant Treasurer at Charleston $50,000; to the United States Depositories $130,000; to National Banks $93,193 39; total, $473,193 39.

BUSINESS AT THE PATENT OFFICE.

Two hundred and three patents will be issued from the Patent Office for the week ending Tuesday, the 5th inst. During the past week 510 applications and 90 *caveats* were filed.

PUBLIC LAND FOR LIGHTHOUSE PURPOSES.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office is preparing instructions to the land collectors in several surveying districts directing the reservation of public lands for military and lighthouse purposes ordered by the President as follows: California, twenty-one reservations for lighthouse purposes of twenty acres each; also the rocky islet off Point Ano Nuevo, and Point St. Bosego; also a military reservation at Fort Lama, at the confluence of the Colorado of the West and Gila Rivers; in Oregon, two reservations for lighthouse purposes off the Pacific Coast; and in Nebraska territory, Fort McPherson, a reservation of four miles square, situated on both sides of the south branch of Main Platte River, and formerly known under the name of Fort Cottonwood.

THE UNITED STATES STEAMER LANCASTER.

Information has been received at the Navy Department from the United States steamer *Lancaster*, under date of Barbados, Jan. 1, 1867, the Paymaster having drawn on the Department from that place.

Great anxiety was felt for the *Lancaster*, it having been some time since she was heard from. The Department has also received information from Capt. WILLIAM REYNOLDS, of the steamer *Lackawanna*, dated Valparaiso, Dec. 27, announcing that he had taken in coal and provisions for a three months cruise, and would leave on that day for Honolulu.

WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD LANDS.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has received "List No. 2" of selections of land enuring to the Western Pacific Railroad Company of California under the Act approved July 1, 1862, and July 2, 1864, containing in the aggregate 113,257 45-100 acres, selected on the line running eastward from San José, and ending at a point near the eastern boundery of Almeda cañon.

A MEXICAN LAND GRANT.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has received from the Surveyor-General of California a return of survey for the private claim in California known as "Rancho Real de Los Angelos," H. A. McDOUGAL confirmee. This rancho is in Monterey County, about fifty miles northeast from Monterey, and contains 31,052 acres, the title being derived from the Mexicans prior to the acquisition of California by the United States.

NAVY EXAMINATIONS.

The Board of Examiners, of which Gen. LEE is President, and which has been in session at Hartford, Conn., for some time past, examining candidates for admission into the United States Navy, commenced its session in this city on Tuesday last, when they adjourned over until Monday, after which regular sittings will be held.

ARMY MATTERS.

Second Lieut. H. MCQUIGG, Twenty-fourth Regiment Veteran Reserve Corps, has been mustered out and honorably discharged the service of the United States, his services being no longer required.

The following Examining Surgeons have been appointed by the Commissioner of Pensions: Dr. E. V. BELL, Terra Haute, Ind.; Dr. J. R. SMITH, Reedsville, Mo.; and Dr. JOHN RUSSELL, Winchendon, Mass.

NAVY MATTERS.

The following Assistant Paymasters have been promoted to the rank of Passed Assistant Paymasters in the United States Navy: A. W. BACON, from Aug. 1, 1865; F. CLARENCE FINLAY, from Aug. 7, 1866; RUFUS S. MCCONNELL, from Nov. 27, 1866.

More Indian Aggressions and Murders—Fifty-nine Emigrants Killed.

JUNCTION CITY, Kansas, Saturday, Feb. 2.

A man came into Salina, about fif

SMOKE.

Meerschaum and Amber—Where Obtained—Manufacture of Pipes in New-York—Rare Specimens for the Paris Exposition.

The mania for coloring meerschaums which prevailed like an epidemic a few years ago has pretty much died out. But the pipe of that material is still popular, and growing still more so, chiefly because it is the very best article thus far found. The cost stands in the way of its general use, or it would long ago have rooted out briarwood and India rubber and the manifold compositions of which the magic soother is made. It is all very well to preach against tobacco, but men and women will use it; and so powerfully seated are the taste and the habit that all Governments rely upon the Indian weed as one of the surest and most profitable sources of revenue. Political economists are often troubled in gauging taxes by appetites, and their first study is, what are the articles for taxation that will bear the heaviest burdens without serious diminution of consumption? Usually these are articles of luxury, and of these liquors and tobacco are the chief. It is difficult to say what rate of tax these prime unnecessaries will not bear; the limit is to be determined by the motive that a high assessment gives for evading and for illegal manufacture, and not in any degree by the possibility of decreased consumption.

Of the injurious effects of the use of tobacco there are opinions without end. Some men "cannot abide a gaping pig," and some cannot use tobacco. These are the loudest in denouncing it. But their opposition is purely theoretical; and there are instances where lean, lank, nervous men, who never touched tobacco in their lives, will swear you, and prove, (theoretically) to a demonstration that the accursed weed is the bane of the human race; that it dries up the blood, deranges the stomach, softens the brain, relaxes physical power, and by the (their) laws of entail, inflicts physical atrophy upon generations yet unborn. And all this wisdom has been gravely promulgated in an assembly where one might count a score of inveterate old smokers and snuffers whose average weight would figure over 200 pounds each, and whose progeny followed in the paternal footsteps both in tobacco-puffing and obesity. The truth is, there is no fixed rule in the matter; some cannot eat flesh, some cannot smoke; what is one man's meat is another's poison, we have as many tastes as we have opinions, and to proscribe this or that article for a whole race because it injures a species, or for a species because it hurts an individual, is just about as wise as to make all the garments of mankind upon a model figure, which shall be an average of the whole in height, and breadth, and size of limbs.

The most universal manner of enjoying tobacco, take the world over, is in smoking, and whatever theorists may say, most practicers really enjoy their whiffs, while very few visibly suffer thereby. The smoker becomes a nuisance when he puffs in places where the oder may offend others, but his puff is purity itself when compared with the voidings of the chewer or the drippings of the snuffer. Yet snuffing and chewing may be enjoyed (?) so quietly as not to offend the outside world; as, on the other hand, one may see the human animal in conflict with a bowl of soup at dinner, sucking it in with a slobbering and slopping sound that would shock and disgust a well-bred Berkshire pig. It is not so much the matter of taste as the manner of gratifying taste, that makes the outward offence.

And now to return to our meerschaum, which is not "foam of the sea," as the name literally signifies, but is a kind of clay composed of hydrate of magnesia, combined with silex. It is found in beds in various parts of Europe, but particularly in Natolia, in Asia Minor. When first taken from the earth it is soft, and with water makes lather, like soap.

The best and purest meerschaum bears a bluish tinge, and its surface is covered with small, star-shaped flecks. This kind, however, is seldom seen in this country. Denominating this as the first quality, there are seven inferior qualities, each differing from the others, and yet genuine meerschaum. A peculiarity of the first quality is its capability of receiving a high polish whence it is termed spiegel meerschaum. Thus far the high price of spiegel meerschaum has prevented its general use in this country.

The reason for boiling meerschaum is very simply explained. Like all varieties of clay, when exposed to the air it becomes dry and hard, in which condition it never would absorb the nicotine, or oil of tobacco, which gives it the rich color that smokers so highly prize. When boiled in oil or wax, the particles of clay are forced apart by the heat, and the oil or wax introducing itself between them, retains its position upon cooling. Again, when the pipe is heated by smoking, the particles of the meerschaum separate, the oil or wax, becoming melted, exudes, and the nicotine takes its place, and imparts to the meerschaum its own rich color. This is the philosophy of what is popularly called "coloring a meerschaum." It should be added that a meerschaum cannot be polished until it has been boiled. Having explained the principle, the next step is to specify the process of coloring a meerschaum. If the object were simply to expel the oil or wax infused into the clay by boiling, and replace it by nicotine, the heat generated by smoking would accomplish this; but something more is required. The particles themselves of the meerschaum are to be colored. To secure this effect the heat must be gradual; else, if too great at first, the particles of clay will be baked, and losing their natural power of cohesion, will crumble away. This explains why so many meerschaums are cracked in smoking and others color only in spots. The directions for coloring a meerschaum may be stated thus: Fill the pipe loosely and only half full at the start, and smoke slowly, the object being to keep it as cool as possible under the circumstances. Do not allow it to cool too rapidly after smoking, else it may crack. Never cover a pipe; because the oil that exudes from the meerschaum will be absorbed by the material of which the cover is composed, and the result will be blotches on the pipe. In a word, keep the pipe as cool as you can.

The genuine and imitation meerschaum so closely resemble each other that good judges often are puzzled to distinguish them; but when they are heated the difference becomes apparent. The imitation generally is composed of the parings of meerschaum, technically termed "chips," and the whole substance being unable to expand or contract uniformly, cracks when heated, and the oil or wax in it not being equally absorbed, slowly burns, and in burning omits an offensive smell. Such imitations never color, or if they do a little, the pipe generally cracks. These are often palmed off as the second quality of genuine meerschaum. Lightness of weight and ability to float in water are no tests of the genuineness of meerschaum. Unless you are a practical judge of the article, the only way to obtain a good meerschaum is to apply to a person whose judgment and honesty you can trust.

Amber, (of which mouth-pieces are made,) a resinous gum similar in appearance to gum copal, but much harder, is found on the shores of the Baltic Sea, and principally in the Prussian dominions. It has for ages been valued for ornamental purposes, such as neckinces, bracelets and breast pins. In Europe the cloudy or milk amber is considered the finest, that which is clear being held in no consideration, although each cost about the same, except the light green variety, and that which is of one perfectly uniform color throughout. Amber is divided into two kinds, called Fleisen and Erd Bernshein. The former is found in the water; the latter is obtained in mines, and is considered the most valuable, being harder and of a clearer color. Amber, being so hard and so beautiful, has long been prized by smokers for mouthpieces of pipes and cigar-holders, and in Turkey as much as $200 has been paid for a single mouthpiece. There are many imitations of this beautiful gum, but none are so hard and durable as the genuine article.

Some of the facts here stated, we have gathered in a conversation with Mr. KALDENBERG, of the firm of KALDENBERG & SON, in John-street, in this City, who are the most extensive importers of meerschaum and amber and manufacturers of pipes in this country. They have made some specimens for the Paris Exposition that are most elaborate and curious achievements of art. The chief of these specimens is a magnificent pipe cut from a single block of meerschaum, and carved in most elaborate fashion. The pipe is about ten inches long, and the amber mouth-piece about as much more. The bowl is some three or four inches in diameter, and about five in height. On the lid is a statuette of SHAKESPEARE seated in an arm-chair, and on the stem is a really wonderful miniature carving of RAULBACH's cartoon of Macbeth and Banquo meeting the witches on the blasted heath. This is an exquisite piece of work, the horses, the Thane and his companions, and the wierd sisters are wrought out with most delicate finish, each minute point being perfect in itself. Another pipe, also for the Exhibition, is made entirely from amber, being cut from a solid block of that rare material. A smaller specimen of meerschaum has been made by Mr. KALDENBERG as a present to the Emperor. This is about ten inches long, the bowl plain, except that on the front is the Imperial coat of arms and on the lid an amber globe, surmounted by a Greek cross. There are many other fine specimens, but these are the most conspicuous. They prove conclusively that we can make in this country just as good and just as handsome meerschaum pipes as can be found in any European city.

THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Recent Orders from General Headquarters—The Proposed Changes in the Military Code—The Newark Veteran Reception—Recent Changes—Current Movements and Miscellaneous Gossip.

The following orders have been issued by Gen. MANNIN:

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, STATE OF NEW-YORK, ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE, ALBANY, Jan. 29, 1867.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 4.—The course of instruction for the National Guard for the year 1867, will consist of such exercises as the commanding officers may regard as particularly essential to increase the standing and efficiency of their respective commands.

Special attention should be paid to the company drills, and the securing a perfect knowledge of the lessons contained in the pocket manual of the soldier.

The battalion should be thoroughly drilled in the primary movements, as laid down in the school of the battalion.

The form of inspection and review, of guard mounting and dress parade, should receive careful attention.

The commanding officers of brigades and divisions should institute such a course of instruction and drill as will best develop a reliable and praiseworthy *esprit du corps* in their respective commands.

The Commander-in-Chief indulges the hope that every officer will so endeavor to discharge his duty, as that the results of his efforts will reflect credit upon the reliability and standing of the National Guard.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief.

S. E. MARVIN, Adjutant-General.

Official: J. B. STONEHOUSE, Assistant Adjutant-General.

And all this wisdom has been gravely promulgated in an assembly where one might count a score of inveterate old smokers and snuffers whose average weight would figure over 200 pounds each, and whose progeny followed in the paternal footsteps both in tobacco-puffing and obesity. The truth is, there is no fixed rule in the matter; some cannot eat flesh, some cannot smoke; what is one man's meat is another's poison, we have as many tastes as we have opinions, and to proscribe this or that article for a whole race because it injures a species, or for a species because it hurts an individual, is just about as wise as to make all the garments of mankind upon a model figure, which shall be an average of the whole in height, and breadth, and size of limbs.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, STATE OF NEW-YORK, ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE, ALBANY, Jan. 23, 1867.

SPECIAL ORDERS, No. 13.—MOSES BLAIR is hereby appointed an Assistant in the Department of the Engineer-in-Chief, with the rank of Major.

He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief.

S. C. MARVIN, Adjutant-General.

Official: J. B. STONEHOUSE, Assistant Adjutant-General.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, STATE OF NEW-YORK, ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE, ALBANY, Jan. 29, 1867.

SPECIAL ORDERS, No. 14.—An appeal having been taken to the Commander-in-Chief, in pursuance of Section 31 of Military Code, from the decision of Brig.-Gen. BUTMORE, commanding Second Brigade National Guard, in the case of the election of Major in the Third Regiment of Infantry, National Guard, and the same having been duly considered, carefully examined, it is hereby ordered that the election held in the Third Regiment on the 29th day of November, 1866, be set aside, and that a new election be held to fill the office of Major of said regiment.

It appears from the official report and proceedings, that the votes of Lieuts. DILLON and BETTRIDGE were refused when offered, and that had they been allowed to vote the result would have been a tie between the two competing candidates.

Lieut. DILLON, being a commissioned officer, and not disqualified from exercising the privileges of his office, should have been permitted to vote.

Lieut. BETTRIDGE was a commissioned officer, and entitled to all the benefits conveyed by his office until the acceptance of his resignation by the Commander-in-Chief, as provided in Section 87, Military Code. His resignation was not accepted at the time it was tendered, nor was the resignation accepted until some days after the election was held. Consequently, Lieut. BETTRIDGE was an officer, and entitled to all the rights and privileges conveyed by his office, and he was amenable to the laws of the State and liable to all duties required in said laws up to the date of the acceptance of his resignation by the Commander-in-Chief.

The proofs as furnished show that had the votes of Lieuts. DILLON and BETTRIDGE been received, the result would have been in favor of Major HAMILTON and Col. For this reason, the election held in the Third Regiment on the day previously mentioned is hereby declared to be void.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief.

L. E. MARVIN, Adjutant-General.

(Official)
J. B. STONEHOUSE, Assistant Adjutant-General.

THE MILITARY CODE.

The Major-Generals commanding the several divisions in this State were invited by Brig.-Gen. S. E. MARVIN, Adjutant-General, to meet with the Governor's Staff at Albany on the 30th inst., for the purpose of revising the "Military Code."

There were present Maj.-Gen. SHALER, of the First Division; Maj.-Gen. CLARK, of the Third Division; Maj.-Gen. BARNUM, of the Sixth District; Maj.-Gen. GATES, of the Fifth District; Brig.-Gen. MARVIN, Adjutant-Gaeneral; Brig.-Gen. BATCHELLOR, Inspector-General; Brig.-Gen. PALMER, Commissary-General; Brig.-Gen. DARLING, Engineer-in-Chief.

Gen. SHALER was chosen Chairman, and Col. BURT, Assistant Inspector-General, acted as Secretary.

A thorough examination of the "Code" was made, and some important amendments thereto will be recommended to the Legislature. An adjourned meeting will take place at Albany on Thursday, 8th inst., on other matters of importance, relating to the military of this State, will be taken into consideration.

The following changes were also suggested at the recent annual meeting of the Military Association of the State of New-York, held at Albany Jan. 15 and 16:

That section 8 be amended by striking out the words "sixty-four;" wherever they occur, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirty-two." Also by striking out the words "five hundred and twelve," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "three hundred and twenty."

That section 98 be amended by striking out the words "Division Inspector," and substituting the words "an Assistant Adjutant-General who shall be chief of staff." And by striking out the words "a Brigade Inspector, to serve also as a Brigade Major," and substituting words "an Assistant Adjutant-General who shall be chief of staff."

That section 99 be amended by adding thereto the words "to each division an Assistant Inspector-General with the rank of Colonel; to each brigade an Assistant Inspector-General, or Brigade Inspector, with the rank of Major."

That section 102 be amended by striking out the words "with the rank of Colonel," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "with the rank of Brigadier-General."

That section 107 be amended by striking out the words "with the rank of Major," after the words "to each brigade a Hospital Surgeon" and inserting, in lieu thereof, the words "with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel."

That section 108 be amended by adding to the first section of the paragraph the words "and one Hospital Steward."

That section 121 be amended by striking out the words "and fifty dollars for companies not located in cities," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the words, "and one hundred dollars for companies not located in cities."

That section 127 be amended by striking out the words "not to exceed," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the word "of."

That section 146 be amended by inserting after the words "military duty," as the end of the first paragraph, the words, "and shall be entitled to a deduction in the assessment of his real and personal property to the amount of $300, on all classes of taxes. And every person who shall have served seven years, and shall have been honorably discharged, as required by this section, shall, forever after, so long as he remains a citizen of this State, be exempt from jury duty and military taxes."

That section 218 be amended by inserting after the words "two dollars," in the first subdivision, the words "for each day," and after the words "six dollars," the words "for each day."

That section 317 be amended by adding thereto the following words: "And any officer who shall have served in the National Guard, continuously and honorably, for a period of ten years, shall have brevet rank next above the rank last held by him."

And it was Resolved, That the amendments recommended to be made to the Military Code be referred to the Military Committee of both Houses of the Legislature.

The following resolutions were also unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Commander-in-chief be solicited to order an encampment of such portion of the National Guard of the State as may be expedient; the same to be held during the Summer of 1867, and that the Legislature be requested to appropriate the necessary funds to pay the expenses thereof.

Resolved, That the representatives in the Legislature of this State be requested to direct the Commissioners of the Central Park to set apart and prepare a suitable parade ground in said Park, for the use of the First Division of the National Guard.

Resolved, That some action be taken by this organization, whereby we shall secure an appropriation of $500,000 for the current year, for the purpose of arming and equipping the National Guard.

THE NEWARK VETERAN RECEPTION.

The extensive preparations now being made for the full-dress reception on the evening of the 13th instant, tendered by the officers of the Second Regiment S. R. C., to the veteran officers of the City of Newark, and the assiduity with which these arrangements are being consummated preclude all possibility of its not only making this grand, special entertainment the most successful one of the present season. The number of veterans in whose honor the reception is given, is nearly one hundred, and some dissatisfaction is manifested by other equally distinguished and deserving officers, of the manner in which the list was selected. Dismissed, resigned, and other channels of information, the intelligence has spread that the reunion was in honor of the veteran officers of the State, whereas only those officers who reside in Newark, who have served at least nine months during the war, and that in some of the New-Jersey regiments, and who have been honorably discharged the service, are the subjects of this hospitality. Those officers who cannot meet all these requirements have not received letters of invitation.

The reception is to take place in the Regimental Armory, formerly known as Oraton Hall. The billiard saloon and company rooms upon the floor beneath are to be thrown open to the guests—the former as the banquet room, the others as dress and cloak rooms. The walls of the hall will be tastefully ornamented with festoons of bunting, floral emblems and neat tablets containing the names of New-Jersey officers who were killed or died of disease contracted while in the service. The officers upon the occasion are to appear in full uniform and the civic guests in full citizen's dress. It is expected that the majority of the invited guests will make it convenient to attend, and with them there will be nearly three hundred couples.

The following is the programme determined upon by the officers having the matter in hand: The entertainment to commence at 9 o'clock with a grand march, entitled "The Veteran March," performed by the band. The Oration of Welcome will then be delivered by CORTLANDT PARKER, Esq., on behalf of the officers of the Second Regiment, to be followed by an operatic air by the band. Gov. WARD will then call the Roll of Honor, and present the certificates awarded by the Legislature to the honorably discharged soldiers of the State, to the honored recipients of the bounty of the Second. The banquet room will then be thrown open, when a sumptuous collation partaking of all the delicate viands of the season, will be presented for the internal consideration of the guests. The second portion of the programme will consist of dancing, eating, drinking and a general interchange of sociability and friendly salutations.

The tickets for the occasion, which are limited to one hundred, may be obtained at $10 each.

NEW COMMISSIONS ISSUED.

The following officers have been commissioned by the Commander-in-Chief in the National Guard, S. N. Y., during the week ending Jan. 26, 1867:

First Division.—Alexander Shaler, to be Major-General First Division, Jan. 26, 1867, *vice* Charles W. Sandford, retired.

Third Division.—Joseph B. Carr, to be Major-General Third Division, Jan. 23, 1867, *vice* John Taylor Cooper, retired.

Sixth Division.—Henry A. Barnum, to be Major-General Sixth Division, Jan. 23, 1867, *vice* W. C. Brown, retired.

Seventh Division.—Craig W. Wadsworth, to be Major-General Seventh Division, Jan. 23, 1867, *vice* W. S. Fullerton, retired.

Department of the Engineer-in-Chief.—Moses Blair, to be Assistant Engineer, with rank of Major, Jan. 23, 1867.

Third Brigade.—Oakman S. Paine, to be Hospital Surgeon, Dec. 28, 1866.

Twelfth Regiment.—John Ward, Jr., to be Colonel, Jan. 4, 1867, *vice* William E. Ward, promoted; Knox McAfee, to be Major, Jan. 4, 1867, *vice* John Ward, Jr., promoted.

Fourteenth Regiment.—George A. Satchell, to be Second Lieutenant, Oct. 16, 1866, *vice* Patrick Donahue, declined to muster.

Twenty-fourth Regiment.—Isaac F. Handy, to be Second Lieutenant, Jan. 19, 1867, *vice* Charles E. Hamilton, resigned.

Thirty-seventh Regiment.—George M. Dussenbury, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, Jan. 3, 1867, *vice* C. M. Oadin, resigned; William Oscar Boome, to be Major, Jan. 3, 1867, *vice* G. M. Dusenbury, promoted.

Fifty-sixth Regiment.—William L. Berrian to be Lieutenant-Colonel, Jan. 14, 1867, *vice* Thomas D. O'Neil, deceased.

Eighty-second Regiment.—Isaac Hauck to be First Lieutenant, Jan. 5, 1867, *vice* Albert Finkle, resigned.

William Applebee, Second Lieutenant, Jan. 5, 1867, *vice* Isaac Hauck, promoted.

One Hundred and Sixth Regiment.—J. J. Buchanan, Second Lieutenant, Nov. 26, 1866, *vice* Charlemagne Fisk, resigned.

William H. Manners to be Second Lieutenant, Nov. 6, 1866, *vice* Edward M. Johnson, resigned.

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

The following resignations of officers in the National Guard, State of New-York, have been accepted by the Commander-in-Chief during the week ending Jan. 26, 1867:

Jan. 25.—One Hundred and Ninth Regiment, WARREN WILCOX, Captain, to promote the interest of the regiment.

Jan. 25.—Fourteenth Regiment Infantry, M. J. GRANT, First Lieutenant, business engagements.

Jan. 25.—Fourth Regiment Infantry, PETER BEIGEL, Second Lieutenant, removal from State.

Jan. 25.—Twelfth Regiment Infantry, JAMES MCCORD, Second Lieutenant, removal.

Jan. 26.—Fifteenth Regiment Infantry, STEPHEN COLGATE, Captain, pressure of business.

Jan. 26.—First Battalion Light Artillery, Twenty-fifth Brigade, GEO. B. HERRICK, Adjutant, removal.

GEN. SHALER'S FIRST GENERAL ORDER IN ASSUMING COMMAND.

Major-Gen. ALEXANDER SHALER has issued the following General Order:

HEADQUARTERS FIRST DIVISION NEW-YORK STATE NATIONAL GUARD, NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1867.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1.—By virtue of an appointment from His Excellency the Governor of the State, and of a commission as Major-General from the Adjutant-General's Office at Albany, bearing date Jan. 23, 1867, the undersigned hereby assumes command of the First Division National Guard of the State of New-York.

Headquarters are for the present established at No. 213 West Twenty-eighth-st.

ALEXANDER SHALER, Major-General.

Official: W. B. BEND, Major and A. D. C. and A. N. G. Division Inspector.

THE FIRST BRIGADE.

Brig.-Gen. WILLIAM G. WARD, commanding First Brigade, announces in General Orders No. 1, current series, that he assumes command of the brigade by virtue of commission. The following officers are appointed on the staff of the Brigadier-General: JOHN W. GREENE, Hospital Surgeon, reappointed; A. G. ADGATE, Quartermaster, vice SIMONSON, retired; JOHN T. DERBY, Paymaster, vice ENO, retired; OSWIN O'BRIEN, Aid-de-Camp, vice DIMOCK, retired. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly. The field officers of the brigade will assemble in undress uniform, without sidearms, for theoretical instruction, on Thursday, the 31st January next, at 8 o'clock P. M., at the quarters of the Brigadier-General, No. 25 East Thirty-first-street.

Pursuant to the laws governing the Militia of this State, an election is hereby ordered to be held on Tuesday, the 5th day of February, 1867, at the armory of the Twelfth Regiment, corner of Broadway and Fourth-street, at 8 o'clock P. M., to fill the office of Brigade Inspector, First Brigade and First Division of the National Guard, State of New-York, which has been vacant by the resignation of R. H. HOADLEY.

The Commanding-General has received the proceedings in the Court-Martial for the trial of First Lieut. JOHN J. CASEY and Second Lieut. PATRICK CASEY, Seventy-seventh Regiment, N. G., pursuant to Special Orders No. 4, second series, Major PATRICK F. HANNON, President; and, in consequence of the great irregularity of the proceedings, orders the whole matter set aside, the prisoners to be released from arrest and returned to duty. The General would call the attention of the officers concerned in the matter to the serious injury likely to ensue to the service from the great delay in this trial; and would especially censure First Lieut. O'NEILL for absenting himself from the trial after preferring the charges.

THE FOURTH REGIMENT.

Col. HARMON D. HULL, commanding the Fourth Regiment makes the following announcements in recent general orders: The officers and non-commissioned officers of this regiment will assemble for drill in the armory of this regiment in fatigue uniform, Feb. 7, 14 and 21, at 8 o'clock P. M. The following changes is announced: Sergt. CHARLES CLANCEY to be Quartermaster-Sergeant, *vice* GILBERT N. MARBURY relieved. The above non-commissioned officer will rank from date of this order, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

THE SEVENTH REGIMENT.

Col. CLARK announces in General Order No. — that in compliance with Brigade Orders, the officers of the Seventh Regiment will assemble for drill (fatigue uniform,) at the State Arsenal, Thirty-fifth-street and Seventh-avenue, on Monday, Feb. 11, a. m., at 7:45 o'clock P. M. The following companies composing the right wing of the said regiment, viz: Companies I, A, B, C and H, will assemble, in full fatigue, for battalion drill, on Friday, Feb. 8; and the com anies composing the left wing, viz: Companies E, F, D, G and K, will assemble for the same purpose, on Thursday, Feb. 14. Roll-call of companies at 7 45 o'clock P. M. The members of the regiment only will be admitted to these drills.

A NEW COMPANY FOR THE EIGHTH REGIMENT.

Now that the Washington Grays Troop has been transferred to the Cavalry Brigade, steps are being taken to fill the vacancy thus occasioned by the organization of a new company, for the Eighth Regiment, to be designated by the letter "I." Col. CARR has approved of the movement, and cordially recommends the proposed organization. Messrs. WM. E. CHAPIN and P. C. JOHNSON, having respectfully declared permission and authority from the Regimental Commandant to organize the above company, they cordially invite young men of good moral standing to join them in filling up its ranks. Uniforms are now ready to furnish all its members, as soon as the complement of men are ready to be mustered in. Those who are anxious to join the above organization are invited to call at the armory on Friday evenings, between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock, or at No. 24 Beekman-street, between the hours of 9 and 4, during the week. Application can be made by letter if desired, and will meet with prompt attention. We trust that these gentlemen will prove successful in their undertaking, as the organization is a necessary one to complete the battalion formation of the regiment.

THE FORTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT.

In General Orders No. 1, Col. J. V. MESEROLE announces that the Forty-seventh Regiment will assemble at the armory, in fatigue uniform, for instruction as follows: The right wing, Companies B, A, I and C, Feb. 6 and March 6; left wing, Companies G, E, F and D, Feb. 13 and March 13; both wings on Feb. 20 and March 20. First Sergeant's call at 8 o'clock P. M. At the drill of March 20 the band will be in attendance, and the wings will drill in competition. Tickets will be issued for this drill.

Resignations.—ANDREW MERRELL, Surgeon, Lieut. GEO. W. TAYLOR, Company G.

Elections.—HENRY IRWIN, to be Captain Company E; EDWARD L. BONNEY, to be Second Lieutenant Company E; JACOB BACKUS, to be Second Lieutenant Company F.

Promotions.—Second Lieutenant WM. D. CORNELL, to be First Lieutenant Company E; Second Lieutenant GEO. A. FOUNTAIN, to be First Lieutenant Company F.

Dr. JOSIAH K. WINANTS has been appointed Surgeon of this regiment.

THE TWENTY-THIRD REGIMENT.

In General Orders No. 2, Col. and Brevet Brig.-Gen. CALVIN E. PRATT announces that the right wing of the Twenty-third Regiment, consisting of Companies A, D, C, F and H, will assemble at the arsenal, Portland-avenue, for battalion drill, on Monday evening, Feb. 4, 1867. Line will be formed at 8 o'clock. The left wing, consisting of Companies B, E, G, I and K, will assemble at the arsenal, Portland-avenue, for battalion drill, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 20, 1867. Line will be formed at 8 o'clock.

Elections.—First-Lieut nant M. C. OGDEN to be Captain Company D, *vice* BASSETT, resigned. Rank Dec. 22, 1866. Second-Lieutenant C. E. SATTERLEE to be First-Lieutenant Company D, *vice* OGDEN, promoted. Rank Dec. 22, 1866. Sergt. JOHN THOMPSON to be Second-Lieutenant Company D, *vice* SATTERLEE, promoted. Rank Dec. 22, 1866. Private JAMES M. STEPHENSON to be Second-Lieutenant Company I, *vice* TOMPKINS, resigned. Rank Dec. 18, 1866.

At a meeting of Company B, held on the 5th day of December, 1866, the following resolution was passed, and the action of the Company is hereby approved:

Resolved, That the Colonel be requested to modify Sec. 5 of General Orders No. 7, 1866, as far as relates to P. OWENS JONES, so as to make it expulsion for habitual neglect of duty and non-payment of fines and dues, and that said modification be published in next General orders issued.

MISCELLANEOUS GOSSIP.

Mr. SETH E. GRIFFIN, of Albany, who served from 1861 to the close of the war, has been appointed First Lieutenant in the Ninth Regular Cavalry. He will leave for his regiment in a few days.

The third annual concert of Company K, Twelfth Regiment (Washington Blues) will take place on Wednesday evening, the 20th inst., at the regimental armory in Broadway, corner of Fourth-street. A flag presentation will take place at the same time. We have seldom seen handsomer gotten up cards than those of Company K.

In yesterday's TIMES we gave an extended account of the serenade to Maj.-Gen. SHALER by the officers and members of the Seventh Regiment on Friday night. We will now refer to the speeches made by Gen. SHALER and Col. CLARK, in which mention was made of the future of the First Division. Col. CLARK, in proposing the health of the new Major-General, said the days of toryism and military pedantry are past; all other considerations have yielded to merit; a new era in the First Division is inaugurated—the era of military progress and military improvement. Gen. SHALER, in his reply, said he hoped to see a thorough discipline on the part of all to assist the zeal and second the efforts of the new Commander, in whatever may be considered best calculated to promote the interests of the First Division. Assured to-day he (the General) may now officer, and with the co-operation of those like you who have for so many years been identified with the interests of the First Division, I have no doubt I shall be rewarded for whatever time and trouble it costs in witnessing its gradual advancement. These sentiments will find an echo in the heart of every true National Guardsman, and we trust that every effort will be made by individual members to that end.

The seventh and last but one promenade concert of GRAFULLA's Seventh Regiment National Guard Band took place at their armory last evening. These concerts have labored under considerable disadvantage, owing to the inclement weather usually prevailing on the concert nights, but the band having once commenced the season, determined to persevere and so endeavor to win a successful end. Last night the rooms were comfortably filled by the members of the regiment and their friends, although the number of ladies present was necessarily limited by reason of the deplorable state of the streets and pavements. The programme was an excellent one and was delightfully interpreted. The eight and last concert of the season will take place on Saturday, Feb. 23, when additional attractions will be offered.

The invitation hop of the National Grays (Company I, Twelfth Regiment) came off on Monday last, at FERRERO's City Assembly Rooms. We have seldom attended a more fashionable or successful affair, the only drawback being that the rooms were too small for the number attending. The music was furnished by GRAFFULA's Band, and was, of course, unexceptionable. Col. JOHN WARD and many other prominent officers of the Twelfth Regiment were present, as were also officers from the other commands in the First Division. The Floor Committee, under the able direction of Lieut. EDWARD HIRE, Jr., were untiring in their efforts, and achieved a decided success. Capt. WM. RAYNOR, of the Reception Committee, and Lieut. J. E. LUDLAM, of the Committee of Arrangements, were also successful, being well supported by their respective associates. We understand that the Grays intend operating upon a larger scale next season.

Chaplain G. E. HEWES, late of the Fourteenth Regiment, N. Y. V., requests of every one who has any material in his possession, or who has in remembrance any incident which would add interest to the history of the regiment, to forward it without delay to his address, at Utica, N. Y., as the history is well under way, and but a short time will elapse before revision for the press, when no new matter will be added.

A rumor prevails in Troy to the effect that Col. ISAAC MCCONIHE will resign the command of the Twenty-fourth Regiment, on his return from Europe.

Gen. CARR has formally accepted the appointment of Major-General of the Third Division National Guard. Major LE GRAND BENEDICT, of Troy, is spoken of as Adjutant-General on the staff of Gen. CARR, with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

Prof. DOWNING's Seventy-first Regiment Band visited Troy last week, for the purpose of giving a grand military concert at Rand's Hall. The *Whig* says that the concert certainly the best of its kind ever given in that city. The hall was about two-thirds filled with a select and appreciative audience. We have no doubt, had it been generally understood what was to be the character of the concert, the case would have been different. Many of the pieces were heartily encored. Should this be generally examined, it will be hereby ordered that the election held in the Third Regiment on the 29th day of November, 1866, be set aside, and that a new election be held to fill the office of Major of said regiment.

It appears from the official report and proceedings, that the votes of Lieuts. DILLON and BETTRIDGE were refused when offered, and that had they been allowed to vote the result would have been a tie between the two competing candidates.

Lieut. DILLON, being a commissioned officer, and not disqualified from exercising the privileges of his office, should have been permitted to vote.

Lieut. BETTRIDGE was a commissioned officer, and entitled to all the benefits conveyed by his office until the acceptance of his resignation by the Commander-in-Chief, as provided in Section 87, Military Code. His resignation was not accepted at the time it was tendered, nor was the resignation accepted until some days after the election was held. Consequently, Lieut. BETTRIDGE was an officer, and entitled to all the rights and privileges conveyed by his office, and he was amenable to the laws of the State and liable to all duties required in said laws up to the date of the acceptance of his resignation by the Commander-in-Chief.

The proofs as furnished show that had the votes of Lieuts. DILLON and BETTRIDGE been received, the result would have been in favor of Major HAMILTON and Col. For this reason, the election held in the Third Regiment on the day previously mentioned is hereby declared to be void.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief.

L. E. MARVIN, Adjutant-General.

(Official)
J. B. STONEHOUSE, Assistant Adjutant-General.

THE MILITARY CODE.

The Major-Generals commanding the several divisions in this State were invited by Brig.-Gen. S. E. MARVIN, Adjutant-General, to meet with the Governor's Staff at Albany on the 30th inst., for the purpose of revising the "Military Code."

There were present Maj.-Gen. SHALER, of the First Division; Maj.-Gen. CLARK, of the Third Division; Maj.-Gen. BARNUM, of the Sixth District; Maj.-Gen. GATES, of the Fifth District; Brig.-Gen. MARVIN, Adjutant-Gaeneral; Brig.-Gen. BATCHELLOR, Inspector-General; Brig.-Gen. PALMER, Commissary-General; Brig.-Gen. DARLING, Engineer-in-Chief.

Gen. SHALER was chosen Chairman, and Col. BURT, Assistant Inspector-General, acted as Secretary.

A thorough examination of the "Code" was made, and some important amendments thereto will be recommended to the Legislature. An adjourned meeting will take place at Albany on Thursday, 8th inst., on other matters of importance, relating to the military of this State, will be taken into consideration.

The following changes were also suggested at the recent annual meeting of the Military Association of the State of New-York, held at Albany Jan. 15 and 16:

That section 8 be amended by striking out the words "sixty-four;" wherever they occur, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirty-two." Also by striking out the words "five hundred and twelve," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "three hundred and twenty."

That section 98 be amended by striking out the words "Division Inspector," and substituting the words "an Assistant Adjutant-General who shall be chief of staff." And by striking out the words "a Brigade Inspector, to serve also as a Brigade Major," and substituting words "an Assistant Adjutant-General who shall be chief of staff."

That section 99 be amended by adding thereto the words "to each division an Assistant Inspector-General with the rank of Colonel; to each brigade an Assistant Inspector-General, or Brigade Inspector, with the rank of Major."

That section 102 be amended by striking out the words "with the rank of Colonel," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "with the rank of Brigadier-General."

That section 107 be amended by striking out the words "with the rank of Major," after the words "to each brigade a Hospital Surgeon" and inserting, in lieu thereof, the words "with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel."

That section 108 be amended by adding to the first section of the paragraph the words "and one Hospital Steward."

That section 121 be amended by striking out the words "and fifty dollars for companies not located in cities," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the words, "and one hundred dollars for companies not located in cities."

That section 127 be amended by striking out the words "not to exceed," and inserting, in lieu thereof, the word "of."

That section 146 be amended by inserting after the words "military duty," as the end of the first paragraph, the words, "and shall be entitled to a deduction in the assessment of his real and personal property to the amount of $300, on all classes of taxes. And every person who shall have served seven years, and shall have been honorably discharged, as required by this section, shall, forever after, so long as he remains a citizen of this State, be exempt from jury duty and military taxes."

That section 218 be amended by inserting after the words "two dollars," in the first subdivision, the words "for each day," and after the words "six dollars," the words "for each day."

That section 317 be amended by adding thereto the following words: "And any officer who shall have served in the National Guard, continuously and honorably, for a period of ten years, shall have brevet rank next above the rank last held by him."

And it was Resolved, That the amendments recommended to be made to the Military Code be referred to the Military Committee of both Houses of the Legislature.

The following resolutions were also unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Commander-in-chief be solicited to order an encampment of such portion of the National Guard of the State as may be expedient; the same to be held during the Summer of 1867, and that the Legislature be requested to appropriate the necessary funds to pay the expenses thereof.

Resolved, That the representatives in the Legislature of this State be requested to direct the Commissioners of the Central Park to set apart and prepare a suitable parade ground in said Park, for the use of the First Division of the National Guard.

Resolved, That some action be taken by this organization, whereby we shall secure an appropriation of $500,000 for the current year, for the purpose of arming and equipping the National Guard.

THE NEWARK VETERAN RECEPTION.

The extensive preparations now being made for the full-dress reception on the evening of the 13th instant, tendered by the officers of the Second Regiment S. R. C., to the veteran officers of the City of Newark, and the assiduity with which these arrangements are being consummated preclude all possibility of its not only making this grand, special entertainment the most successful one of the present season. The number of veterans in whose honor the reception is given, is nearly one hundred, and some dissatisfaction is manifested by other equally distinguished and deserving officers, of the manner in which the list was selected. Dismissed, resigned, and other channels of information, the intelligence has spread that the reunion was in honor of the veteran officers of the State, whereas only those officers who reside in Newark, who have served at least nine months during the war, and that in some of the New-Jersey regiments, and who have been honorably discharged the service, are the subjects of this hospitality. Those officers who cannot meet all these requirements have not received letters of invitation.

The reception is to take place in the Regimental Armory, formerly known as Oraton Hall. The billiard

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—Feb. 2, 1867.

$2,000 U. S. 6s, '78.....R. 103
$2,000 U. S. 6s, '81.....R. 107¼
$2,000 U. S. 6s, '81 C. 107⅝
$6,500 U.S.6-20s,Jan&July 107⅝
$6,500 U.S.6-20s,Jan&July 107⅝
$6,000 U.S.6-20s,M&S.C'64 106
$5,500 U.S.6-20s,M&S.C'65 106
New Issues.....
$6,000 do.....104⅛
$5,000 U.S.5-10s,'67.C. 99⅞
$1,000 Ter. Notes,7.3-10s, do 100
Sec. Ser.....
$50 do.....104⅜
$1,000 do Third Ser 104⅜
1,500 N. Y. St. 6s, '74..110
5,000 Penn. 6s.....x-o 97⅝
$8,000 do.....b30 97⅝
2,000 N.Y.Bd.Ts.Nonen. w Load...Rec. 105¼
1,000 N. Car. 6s.....x-o 83
$4,000 Mo. 6s, Pacific R. issue.....sh 92¼
4,000 Mo. 6s, H. & St. J. issue.....sh 91⅝
$8,000 Ohio & M. C.....b30 79⅛
2,000 Erie 3d M.....10⅛
4,000 Alt. & T. H.1st..92
$4,000 Tol.& Wab.3d M. 15
7,000 Ch. & Gr. R. 1st. 67
9 Continental Bank..101
5 Fourth N. Bk.....104
$50 West. U. Tel.....44⅛
100 do.....44⅜
$5 do.....44⅛
200 Maripos Min.....10
200 Mar. Pref.....22¾
100 do.....22¾
200 do.....b30 23
300 do.....s3 23⅛
200 West. U. Tel.....44⅜
300 do.....b30 45
2300 N. Y. Central.....s3 99⅜
200 do.....c 99⅝
200 do.....b3 99⅝
200 do.....s3 99⅝
1300 Erie.....b. 1, 1867 57⅛
2400 do.....s3 57⅜
300 do.....b10 57
400 do.....c 57⅝
400 do.....b3 57⅝
1000 Reading R.....104
400 do.....s9 105⅛
400 P., Ft.W.& C'st. bar'y 97½

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

$2,000 O. & M. Cer.....35½
100 Canton Co.....44⅞
100 Boston W. P.....26⅛
50 do.....26⅜
$50 Cumb. Coal.....38
300 Mar. Min.....14¼
300 Mar. Min. Pref.....23⅝
100 do.....b30 23
300 do.....s3 23⅜
300 West. U. Tel.....44⅜
200 do.....b30 45
2300 N. Y. Central.....s3 99⅜
200 do.....c 99⅝
200 do.....b3 99⅝
200 do.....s3 99⅝
1300 Erie.....b. 1, 1867 57⅛
2400 do.....s3 57⅜
300 do.....b10 57
400 do.....c 57⅝
400 do.....b3 57⅝
1000 Reading R.....104
400 do.....s9 105⅛
400 P., Ft.W.& C'st. bar'y 97½

OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

400 Mar. Pref.....22¾
400 do.....b30 23⅛
200 do.....s3 23⅜
1200 do.....c 23⅝
1300 do.....b3 23⅝
400 do.....s3 23⅝
$800 Cleve. & Pitts.....84⅜
1000 do.....s3 84⅜
400 do.....c 84⅝
400 Ch., R. I. & P.....97⅛
300 do.....s3 97⅜
1600 Chic. & N. W.....73
500 do.....b10 73⅛
200 do.....c 73⅜
400 do.....s3 73⅝
100 Chic. & N. W. Pf.....93
200 do.....s3 94⅜
400 do.....c 94⅝
400 Ch., R. I. & P.....97⅛
300 do.....s3 97⅜
1600 Chic. & N. W.....73
500 do.....b10 73⅛
200 do.....c 73⅜
400 do.....s3 73⅝
100 Chic. & N. W. Pf.....93
200 do.....s3 94⅜
400 do.....c 94⅝
400 Chi. & N. W. Pf.....97⅛
200 do.....c 97⅜
200 do.....b5 97⅝
300 do.....s3 97⅝
$100 Mil. & St. P. Pf.....85

SATURDAY, Feb. 2—P. M.

The Gold Room advanced this forenoon ⅛@¼ ₱ cent. over Friday's sales. The prices paid were 135⅛@136⅛ ₱ cent. The Customs demand for Gold for the week amounts to $2,082,000; the Export in Gold and Silver bars, $685,098; the receipts from California, $1,065,000; the Gold Interest paid out from the Treasury Office, $62,000. The Foreign Exchanges closed 108¼ on London and f. 5.18¾ on Paris, standard money. The Money market easy in rates and dull in demand. Lenders continue to leave their balances with the great Wall-street dealers in the Public Funds of the United States at 4@5 ₱ cent. Other loans to Brokers, 6@7 ₱ cent. The Bank Statement on Monday will probably show a rising average on Deposits, both in Gold Notes and Greenbacks.

There was a further rise on the Railway list at the Stock Exchange, in some instances of 2@3 ₱ cent., and on the general list 1@2 ₱ cent. The Northwest Shares, Erie, New-York Central, Pittsburgh, &c., which had been heavily speculated in since the break down of Friday week for the *Bear* account were especially excited, and the rise of Monday was probably made the more decided by the suspension of a Stock firm of the regular Exchange Board, who had been large *short* sellers at about the lowest figures of the week, either on three-day contracts or for cash on borrowed Stocks. This incident, announced early in the morning, threw a number of the Brokers who had made purchases of or lent Stocks to the party referred to, unexpectedly short in their deliveries. At 4 o'clock, on the Street, the following quotations were made as compared with Friday night. The Public Funds were again upward and the demand large for nearly all descriptions. The Washington despatches in the morning papers confirmed the opinion that no further Greenback contraction was made in January, and that none is likely to occur in February:

	Fri	Sat.		Fri.	Sat.
U. S. 10-6's	99¾	100	Northwest.	36⅝	37⅜
U. S. 5-20s	107½	108	N. West Pref.	66⅝	67⅜
U. S. 7.30s	104⅜	104⅝	Rock Island	92¼	93⅛
N. Y. Central	99⅜	99⅝	Fort Wayne	97⅛	97⅝
Erie	57⅛	57⅜	Cumb'land Coal	36⅜	36⅝
Hudson	128	128	Quicksilver	38	38
Reading	103⅞	104⅛	W. U. Telegraph	44⅜	45
Mich. Cen.	92	92⅜	Mariposa Pref.	21⅝	23
Illinois Central	114½	114⅝	Ohio Certificates	24	25½
Pittsburg	82⅝	84¼	American Gold	135¼	136⅛
Tennessee 6s	63	63⅜	Bills on London	108⅜	108⅝

The following bids were made for the City Bank Shares:

Manhattan	130	Irving	102
Mechanics'	117	Metropolitan	123
America	133	People's	120
Merchants' Exch'ge	110	Shoe and Leather	111
Commerce	110½	Continental	101
American Exchange	113½	Impt'rs. & Traders	109½
Chatham	140	Central National	108
Bank of N. America	102	Fourth National	104

And the following for the Railway mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883	92	Alton & T. A. 2d M. pfd	75
N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1887	91	Alton & T. H. 2d M. in.	70
N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1st Est.	90	Chi. & N. W. S. Fund.	94
N. Y. Cen. 6s, Sub'n.	90	Chi. & N. W. Int'l.	87
Erie 1st mort.	106	Chi. & N. W. Sinking F.	80
Erie 1st mort., 1859	101	Tol. & Wab. 1st M.	75
Erie 7s, 2d mort., 1859	101¾	Tol. & W. 2d M.	75
Erie 7s, 4th mort., 1880	91	Cleve. & Pitts. 2d M.	93¾
Mad. & Ch. 1st M., 1869	100	Gal. & Chic. 1st M.	86
Mad. R. 7s, 2d M., 1875	103	Gal. & Chic. 2d M.	87
Mad. R. 7s, conv., 1877	99	Pitts., Ft. W. & Ch. 1st M.	96
Michigan 1st & 2d, 69-72	101	Pitts., Ft. W. & Ch. 2d M.	89
Mich. Cen. 8 ₱ ct. 69-72	102	Pitts., Ft. W. & Ch. 3d M.	82
Chi., B. & Q. 8 ₱ ct. 1st M.	110¼	Erie & Alton, S. F.	99
Mich. Sc. 7 ₱ c. 2d M.	91¾	Chi. & Alton fire	88
N. Ind. Cons. Line, 7 ₱ 68	92	Dub. & Sioux C. 1st M.	85
Mich. S. & N. I. S. F. 7 ₱ c.	95	Marietta & Cin. 1st M.	85
Ill. Cen. 7 ₱ c. 1875	105	Joliet & Chic. 1st M.	89
Alton & T. H. 1st M.	92	Chi. & Gt. East'n 1st M.	80

The week's imports at this port of Foreign Dry Goods have been to the value of $3,152,844. The following is the summary of the week:

CONSUMPTION DIRECT. WAREHOUSED. WITHDRAWN.

	Pkgs.	Value.	Pkgs.	Value.	Pkgs.	Value.
Man. of Wool..	1,346	$707,314	1,136	$478,674	453	$224,853
Man. of Cotton.	1,276	463,643	1,961	335,326	242	75,297
Man. of Silk....	269	245,079	220	220,076	109	115,960
Man. of Flax...	1,182	321,918	491	169,794	474	97,103
Miscellaneous..	546	153,415	137	41,611	1,039	8,745
Total.....	4,561	$1,891,369	2,945	$1,251,475	2,317	$522,077
Total entered.....		$3,152,844		Total marketed..		$2,423,446
						1,561,369

The American Railroad Journal gives the receipts and expenditures of the Western (Mass.) Railroad for the years ending Nov. 30, 1865 and 1866, as follows:

Receipts:	1865.	1866.
From passengers	$1,366,565 25	$1,379,684 03
From freight	1,926,220 48	2,394,313 95
From mails, &c	138,798 37	158,019 41
Total	$3,431,584 10	$3,932,017 29
Expenses, viz.:		
Repairs of roadway	$427,804 17	$314,333 17
Repairs of engines	179,079 21	245,435 08
Repairs of cars	274,148 10	428,277 94
Repairs of buildings, ferry, &c	85,331 50	65,432 64
Transportation expenses	1,209,572 46	1,447,019 55
General expenses	28,989 84	24,228 20
Total	$2,204,925 58	$2,525,326 58
Net income	$1,226,658 52	$1,406,790 71
From this deduct:		
Interest on State loans and exchanges	$415,601 93	
One per cent. to sinking funds	80,000 00	
Ten per cent. dividends	616,925 00	
Excise tax on dividend	82,469 73	
Balance of past taxes P. & N. A. R	8,183 99	
Surplus earnings		$1,123,180 65
Less Government tax on same		$283,610 16
		14,180 51
Total		$269,429 65
Surplus last year		$1,005,783 13
Less Government tax		7,354 35
		998,428 78
Total contingent fund, Nov. 30, '66		$1,267,858 43

Compared with the previous year, the gross receipts show an increase of $500,433 19; with an increase in expenses of $320,301—making the increase in net earnings $180,132 19.

The receipts of the Pittsfield and North Adams Railroad were $114,106 60; and the expenses $82,942 94—leaving net earnings $34,163 84. Two dividends of 3 ₱ cent. each, amounting to $27,000, were paid, and the balance, $4,163 86, was appropriated toward the payment of State taxes.

The value of the Massachusetts Sinking Fund Nov. 30, 1866, was $3,710,003; and of the Albany Sinking Fund $697,841 85—making the total value of both funds $3,407,309 85; against $3,442,849 in 1865—a decrease in funds of $35,197.

The cost of the Western, Albany and West Stockbridge and Hudson and Boston Railroads to Nov. 30, 1866, has been as follows:

Western Railroad	$8,660,190 84
Equipment	2,260,174 77
Albany and West Stockbridge	2,412,585 65
Hudson and Boston	305,026 69
West Stockbridge Railroad stock	13,000 00
Total	$11,967,827 27

Balance Sheet, for 1866.

Cost of road and equipment	$11,967,827 27
Hudson River Bridge	353,800 00
Notes receivable	2,176,763 01
United States debt certificates	192,928 18
Materials	382,426 15
Cash	367,434 05
Commissioners of Massachusetts Sinking Fund	$3,719,863 00
Trustees of Albany Sinking Fund	697,841 85
	3,417,309 85
Capital stock, 67,106 shares	$17,767,899 61
$899,900 st'g bonds	$6,710,000 00
Albany City bonds	$4,819,590 00
Dollar bonds	689,000 00
	936,500 00
Unclaimed dividends, and interest	5,945,090 00
Dividend No. 45	5,419 00
Interest accrued, not due	353,200 00
Due individuals and corporations	59,606 24
Accumulated Sinking Fund profits	158,279 71
	$3,268,425 23
Contingent fund	1,267,858 43
	4,536,483 66
	$17,767,899 61

President—C. W. CHAPIN.
Directors—C. W. Chapin, Josiah Stickney, Jonathan Bourne, Jr., Ignatius Sargent, Geo. A. Shaw, S. Johnson, Moses Kimball.
Superintendent—HENRY GRAY.

The Missouri State Debt.

A bill "to restore and maintain the credit of the State of Missouri" was introduced in the Senate of Missouri on the 24th of January. The bill proposes to fund all the railroad debt, including coupons up to January 1, 1867, into bonds running twenty years and payable at New-York. The following provisions are included in the bill:

SEC. 2. Said bonds shall be used for the single object of consolidating the railroad debt of the State, now in default, with the accrued interest thereon, and shall be issued only in exchange for the bonds and overdue coupons thereon, heretofore issued by the State, or guaranteed by the State, in aid of certain railroad companies, as follows: For the $7,000,000 issued to the Pacific Railroad; for the $4,600,000 issued in exchange or guaranteed for the same company; for the construction of the Southwest branch; for the $4,360,000 issued by the North Missouri Railroad Company; for the $3,501,000 issued to the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad Company; for the $650,000 issued to the Cairo and Fulton Railroad Company, and for the $700,000 issued to the Platte County Railroad Company; and the holders of the bonds aforesaid shall at any time after the passage of this act have the privilege of exchanging the same for consolidation bonds, and of funding the coupons due at the date of the passage of this act, when presented in sums of $1,000; provided, that for any balance less than $1,000 the State Treasurer shall give in exchange certificates of indebtedness, which shall be converted into consolidation bonds, whenever presented in sums not less than $1,000.

SEC. 8. There is hereby appropriated to the interest and sinking fund the sum of $4,500,000 out of the moneys to be received from the United States, under the provisions of the Act of Congress entitled an act to reimburse the State of Missouri for moneys expended for the United States in enrolling and equipping and provisioning militia forces to aid in suppressing the rebellion, approved April 17, 1866, which appropriation shall be disposed of as follows: $1,500,000 to go to interest fund proper; $2,000,000 to be invested in United States six per cent. bonds, to be held as a reserve fund to meet any deficiency in the semi-annual payments of interest on the State bonds, and may be used for obtaining temporary loans to pay interest but for no other purpose, for so many as are necessary may be sold to make up any deficiency in the interest fund, to meet interest as it becomes due; but if any part of said bonds are sold, a like amount shall again be purchased whenever there is surplus funds belonging to the interest or sinking fund, so as to keep the reserve up to meet future emergencies. The remaining $1,000,000 hereby appropriated shall go to the sinking fund, to be used in the purchase of outstanding indebtedness of the State.

SEC. 9. Whenever there is, in the judgment of the fiscal agent, any surplus of the interest fund that will not be needed, it shall be credited to the sinking fund, and be used in the purchase of State bonds. The interest collected from the bonds belonging to the reserve fund, and all interest accruing from the principal of sinking fund shall go to the interest or sinking fund, as the fiscal agent may find it necessary, and all moneys hereafter paid in the Treasury on account of the purchase of any of the railroads sold by the State, shall go to the sinking fund.

SEC. 10. There shall be collected for the year 1867, and for every year thereafter, a special tax of ¼ of 1 ₱ cent. on real estate and other property and effects subject to taxation, as provided for by the railroad ordinance in the Constitution, which tax shall be returned and paid over as a special tax, and as fast as collected shall be deposited in bank to the credit of the interest fund and shall be used to meet the semi-annual interest as it accrues upon the bonds to be issued under this act, and any surplus to go to the sinking fund as above provided; and said special tax fund shall be used for the payment of all accruing obligations of the State for the purchase of outstanding State indebtedness, but for no other purpose whatever.

Bills in the Legislature.

COMMISSIONERS OF CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

Senator THOMAS MURPHY introduced a bill reducing the number of Commissioners "to secure the faithful expenditure of moneys raised and collected for certain charitable institutions" to three, each Commissioner to receive a salary of $3,500 and expenses incurred in the discharge of duty. Their Secretary shall receive a salary of $1,500.

The Treasurer of each county in the State and the Board of Excise for the Metropolitan District shall pay over to the Comptroller at least once every three months one per cent. of all moneys received from the Excise Commissioners of his county to constitute a fund to meet the expenses of the proposed law.

STONE PIERS IN NEW-YORK HARBOR.

The same gentleman also gave notice of a bill for the erection of stone piers from Canal-street to the Battery, on the North River; also from Fulton-street to the Battery on the East River; the piers to be two hundred feet long, and combining all the modern improvements in use in London and Liverpool.

NEW-YORK AND AFRICAN TRANSPORTATION COMPANY.

Mr. OAKEY gave notice of a bill which provides that Gilbert Potter, S. B. Dutcher, B. G. Bloss, A. A. Constantine, Peter Curtis, W. R. Wade, Joseph Rheas, Edward J. McGean, J. C. Granger and C. W. Burton, shall be the first Corporators for the term of twenty years, for the purpose of organizing, conducting and facilitating trade and commerce between the port of New-York and the African Coast.

MARINE HOSPITAL CHANGES.

Mr. OAKEY gave notice of a bill amending section 13 of chapter 224 of the laws of 1853, by directing the amount for which the master, owner or owners of any ship or vessel may commune for any bond, shall be $3 for each and every passenger.

MARIPOSA BONDS.

Mr. OAKEY gave notice of a bill providing that the Directors of the Mariposa Company be authorized to give the holders of certain mortgage bonds known as the $2,500,000 mortgage bonds the option of converting the same into the preferred stock of said Company.

HOME SAVINGS BANK.

Mr. OAKEY gave notice of a bill naming as corporators of the proposed institution: Wm. C. Grant, Rufus S. King, John T. Trow, Jos. H. Godwin, Wm. W. Goodrich, Henry Baker, John C. Baxter, Peter W. Ostrander, Abram Duryea, Edward J. McGean, S. E. Sherwood, G. D. Hammond and J. M. Jarvis.

ADDITIONS TO THE STATE CABINET.

Senator H. C. MURPHY introduced a bill to appropriate $6,000 to be paid to the Regents of the University for the purchase of a collection of objects of natural history.

THE THOMPSON METROPOLITAN UNDERGROUND RAILWAY.

The bill introduced by Senator THOMAS MURPHY, names as corporators, Geo. Griswold, John Thompson, Leonard P. Miller, Wm. W. Gilbert, James Boorman Johnston, Wm. R. Finch, Thomas Reed, Joel Wolfe, Robert L. Kennedy, Wm. Fullerton, Jno. A. Griswold, Nathan Randall, George A. Thorn, George H. Brown, William H. Field, R. W. Daniels, Edwin Einstein, W. C. Wetmore, L. B. Brown, Jno. F. Winslow, H. B. Wilson, H. F. Vail, Edward J. McGean, Horatio Allen, R. H. Ondlife, John Cadmus, George Stevenson, George Codling, Clarence Delafield, Hanford, G. S. Green, A. Myers, C. P. Williams and Henry Smythe. The capital stock to be $6,000,000. The Company may construct a tunnel or tunnels, or roadways, lay necessary tracks with cars to be propelled by air, steam or other motive power, to run along from Bowling Green, near the centre of Broadway, going northerly to a point near City Hall Park. Also, from some point in Brooklyn, near the Fulton Ferry, running along through such streets as may be selected, to the arm of the sea, called the East River; thence under the river to the Island of New-York; along under such streets as may be chosen to the City Hall terminus; the southerly limit of said line being Fulton-street, and the northerly limit on Chambers-street, in the City of New-York; also by a suitable route from the City Hall Park to the Hudson River, and under the river to a point on the New-Jersey shore; also from City Hall Park eastwardly beneath Chatham-street to Bowery, to Third-avenue and Harlem River; also separately from City Park to Hudson-street, to Eighth-avenue to Central Park, and thence under Broadway to Ninth-avenue, and along the latter to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, and from thence by same route to Harlem River.

They are also authorized to construct not more than four miles of tunnel around said island, as near the docks and wharves as possible. Such cross-lines around said island to be located to and from such points as may be decided on by three Commissioners, two of whom are to be appointed by the Governor, and the third by the Croton Aqueduct Board of the City of New-York.

If the routes proposed are not entirely practicable, the Company have power to change them as desired; not, however, to be laid under Broadway north of Warren-street nor south of Tenth-street. This Company may also connect by tracks on the surface north of Central Park with the Hudson River and Harlem Railroads.

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1-20 Coupon, '62	104⅛	104⅜	Oct., C.L.'68's	103	103⅛
1-20 " new, '65	104⅛	104⅜	Feb., C.L.'68's	103	103⅛
10-40 Registered	99⅝	100	May, C.L.'68's	103	103⅛
10-40 Coupon	99⅝	100	Aug., C.L.'68's	103	103⅛
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THE TRUSTEES, IN CONFORMITY TO the charter of the Company, submit the following statement of its affairs on the 31st of December, 1866:

Premiums received on Marine Risks from Jan. 1, 1866, to Dec. 31, 1866	$2,283,021 28
Premiums on Policies not marked off Jan. 1, 1866	2,188,326 15
Total amount of Marine Premiums	$10,470,346 41

No Policies have been issued upon Life Risks, nor upon Fire Risks disconnected with Marine Risks.

Premiums marked off from Jan. 1, 1866, to Dec. 31, 1866 $7,682,236 70
Losses paid during the same period $5,683,89 05
Returns of Premiums and Expenses $1,194,173 23

The Company has the following Assets, viz.:
United States and State of New-York Stock, City, Bank and other Stocks $6,771,885 00
Loans secured by Stocks and otherwise 1,129,350 00
Real Estate and Bonds and Mortgages 221,360 00
Interest and sundry notes and claims due the Company 141,866 24
Premium Notes and Bills Receivable 1,267,725 41
Cash in Bank 434,307 81
Total amount of Assets $10,536,394 46

Six per cent. interest on the outstanding certificates of profits will be paid to the holders thereof, or their legal representatives, on and after Tuesday, the 5th of February next.

The outstanding certificates of the issue of 1864 will be redeemed and paid to the holders thereof, or their legal representatives, on and after Tuesday, the 5th of February next, from which date all interest thereon will cease. The certificates to be produced at the time of payment, and cancelled.

A dividend of Twenty per Cent. is declared on the net earned premiums of the Company for the year ending 31st Dec., for which certificates will be issued on and after Tuesday, the 3d of April next.

By order of the Board,
J. R. CHAPMAN, Secretary.
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WM. STURGIS.
JOHN D. JONES, President.
CHARLES DENNIS, Vice-President.
W. H. H. MOORE, Second Vice-President.
J. D. HEWLETT, Third Vice-President.

NOTICE TO THE HOLDERS OF THE SECOND MORTGAGE BONDS OF THE CUMBERLAND COAL AND IRON COMPANY.—The undersigned Trustees under the second mortgage of this Company will receive proposals for the sale to them for the purposes of the sinking fund of the whole or any part of thirteen (13) of the second mortgage bonds of said Company, such proposals to be in writing, addressed to the Trustees, and left at the office of the Company on or before the 14th day of February instant, at which time the same will be opened, and the lowest price at which they will be sold.
HARLAN P. HALLO,
FREDERICK A. COE, Trustees.
JAMES C. BELL.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK HARD RUBBER COLLAR AND BEARVAT MANUFACTURING COMPANY, No. 120 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Feb. 2, 1867.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the New-York Hard Rubber Collar and Corset Manufacturing Company for the election of Trustees, &c., will be held at the office of the Company, No. 119 Reade-st., New-York City, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of February, 1867, at 10 o'clock P. M.
HERBERT G. HULL, Secretary.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, E. D., Office, No. 424 Walnut-st., PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21, 1867.
THE INTEREST IN GOLD ON THE Sinking Fund bonds of the UNION PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY, EASTERN DIVISION, due Feb. 1, will be paid on presentation of the coupons at the banking house of Messrs. JAY COOKE & CO., New-York, on and after that date.
HENRY M. PALMER, Treasurer.

THE WILMINGTON AND MANCHESTER RAILROAD COMPANY, of North Carolina, has placed to the credit of its Third Preferred First Mortgage Bond-holders, at Messrs. M. K. Jesup & Co.'s, No. 81 Broadway, New-York, interest due on Feb. 1, 1867, less Government tax. Holders of coupons will please call and collect same.
HENRY M. DRANE, President.
JAN. 25, 1867.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY, CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 31, 1867.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 20, 1867. The transfer-books will be closed from Feb. 9 until Feb. 21.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

ELECTION.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of the Jefferson Insurance Company will be held at their office, No. 20 Wall-st., New-York, on MONDAY, Feb. 4, 1867. Polls will be open from 1 to o'clock P. M.
SAMUEL E. BELCHER, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF THIRTEEN Directors of the Sixth-avenue Railroad Company will be held at the depot, 8th-av., corner of 43d-st., on TUESDAY, Feb. 12, from 10 to 2 o'clock.
HENRY A. HOOKER, Secretary.

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QUINCEY AND PALMYRA RAILROAD COMPANY.—Coupons due Feb. 1 will be paid on presentation at the office of DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE DUBUQUE AND SIOUX CITY RAILROAD COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 29, 1867.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A tax, on the Preferred Stock of this Company, has been declared out of the earnings for the year 1866, payable at the office of Messrs. M. K. Jesup & Co., No. 32 Broadway, on the 1st of March next, to holders as ascertained at the closing of the books. Transfer-books at the New-York office will be closed from the 1st to the 9th of February.
JOHN E. DUMONT, Assistant Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL CO., NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1867.
THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THIS Company have declared a Dividend of EIGHT (8) PER CENT. out of the profits of the Company, payable on and after the 1st day of February next, free from Government tax. The transfer books are now closed, and will remain closed until the morning of the 20th inst. By order of the Board,
ISAAC N. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 25 Broadway, New-York, Jan. 22, 1867.
THE DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY have declared a dividend of FIVE and one-half (5½) Per Cent., (free from Government tax,) upon the Capital Stock, payable on and after the 15th day of February, 1867, until which said date the transfer-books will be closed.
JOHN A. MORTIMORE, Secretary.

BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY, Office No. 158 Broadway, Jan. 22, 1867.
CASH CAPITAL.....$200,000
SURPLUS.....90,315
DIVIDEND.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Six Per Cent., free from United States tax, payable on and after Feb. 1.
CLARK JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

ST. NICHOLAS NATIONAL BANK, No. 7 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1867.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF this Bank have declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent., free of all taxes, payable on and after the 11th inst. The transfer-books will be closed until the 12th inst.
A. PARKHURST, Cashier.

CORN EXCHANGE BANK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 29, 1867.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE DECLARED a dividend of FIVE (5) PER CENT. and the Transfer books will be closed from the 26th inst. to the 1st. proximo.
W. A. FALLS, Cashier.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC, NEW-YORK, Jan. 30, 1867.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THIS day declared a dividend of Five (5) Per Cent. for the past six months, free of all taxes, for the year 1866, payable Feb. 11.
H. D. FORD, Cashier.

LONG ISLAND BANK, BROOKLYN, Jan. 30, 1867.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS THIS day declared a D

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CITY OF BALTIMORE.....SATURDAY.....Feb. 14
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Passage to London, direct, $90, $60 and $30 currency.
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CELLA, Capt. GLEADELL, from New-York, Feb. 16.
WM. PENN, Capt. BILLINGS, from New-York, Mar. 2.
ATALANTA, Capt. PENNAR, from New-York, Mar. 16.
The British iron steamship BELGO-A, Capt. DIXON, will leave Pier No. 3, North River, for London direct, on TUESDAY, Feb. 3.

Until further notice the steamers of this line will call at Brest to land passengers, commencing with the WM. PENN, to sail Saturday, March 2. Baggage checked and tickets sold through by rail to Paris, Havre, &c., less than regular rates. Excursion tickets, available for six months, issued at a reduced rate.

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MISSISSIPPI..G. Sumner.....Saturday, March 7, 1863
FULTON.....Barrado.....Saturday, March 14, 1863
MERRIMAC...E. Van Sice.....Saturday, March 30, 1863
ARAGO.....H. A. Gadsden...Saturday, April 13, 1863
MISSISSIPPI..G. Sumner.....Saturday, April 27, 1863
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On 5th-av., corner of 39th-st., three-story, high-stoop.
On 39th-st., near 5th-av., three-story, high-stoop.
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Villagers, Waiterwomen, &c.
ACT FIRST.
Exterior of the Baron's Chateau on the Rhine from the River flow

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

A Short Notice at a Few Notable Specimens of American Taste and Skill.

The *Europa*, which leaves this port on the 9th inst., takes with her *en route* to the Paris Exposition, the most valuable contributions of American art and manufacture which have yet been sent to represent our genius and our industry at the world's fair of 1867.

FINE ARTS.

The Committee appointed to select the pictures for the Exposition have completed their labors, and the paintings selected have been arriving daily for sometime at the rooms of Mr. S. P. AVERY, Broadway, where they now block up hall and passageways. Fifty tons space, by measurement, has been secured on board the steamer for the ocean. Mr. AVERY is now winding up his business in the City, and will leave for Paris by the steamer of the 9th also, superintending personally, the shipping and unshipping of the paintings, and their further transit to their destination. There the scarcely less important task of hanging the pictures is also entrusted to this gentleman, whose long and well-known experience and special knowledge most admirably fit him for the somewhat difficult, anxious and extended labor. The Exposition, over, Mr. AVERY returns with the contributions, and will see to their safe delivery to their owners, art patrons and artists.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

Messrs. STEINWAY & SON have had on exhibition at their salesrooms, Steinway Hall, Fourteenth-street, for several days, five magnificent instruments, specimens of American piano manufacture. These are also to go by the steamer of the 9th. In these instruments the Messrs. STEINWAY do not claim any genius for elaborate workmanship or external ornamentation. They are rich but plain instruments, the best they know how to make, but in no respect differing from those they now make for their customers. The shipment consists of five instruments in all—two large concert grands, one parlor grand, one square grand, and one new patent upright. The last named is of novel construction, and was patented in June last, its peculiarity being a double iron frame with a resonator of new construction. With this instrument the makers hope to astonish even the critical Parisiens.

Messrs. CHICKERING & SONS send four instruments, two grands and two square pianos. These also are of plain make, the manufacture basing their claim of superiority on excellence of tone and simple elegance of make.

Messrs. MASON & HAMLIN have already shipped four specimens of their finest makes of organs, besides one which is superior to anything they have hitherto made, being constructed expressly for the Exposition. It is of the largest size, and contains 13 sets of reeds, with the full complement of stops, and has several late improvements. This organ has been gotten up mainly with the desire to show what can be done with reeds. The next largest contains eleven sets of reeds, and the other two are of ordinary size and make, such as are manufactured daily for their home trade. Their space at the Exposition is 26 square feet.

SILVERWARE.

Messrs. TIFFANY & Co., we understand, are the only silversmiths who contribute to the Exposition from this country. They send the following, simply as specimens of American every-day manufacture in this line of goods: Four solid silver tea sets; two sets pitcher and goblet for ice-water, two *tete-a-tete* urns and a dessert vase. In addition to these they send an exquisitely wrought statuette, being a facsimile of the "America" of CRAWFORD on the Capitol at Washington. The material is solid silver, oxydized. From base to the top of the figure it measures thirty inches, and weighs about two hundred ounces. The best workman in America, so Messrs. TIFFANY say, was engaged for thirteen weeks on the labor of chasing alone. Whoever he may be his work does him infinite credit. The finish throughout is faultless, and in no particular has the graceful outlines of the original design been lost in the reproduction. The very texture of the skin is rendered with a faithfulness which will receive its best reward in the appreciation of his fellow-silversmiths, who can best discover the points of excellence in the work.

BILLIARDS.

Messrs. PHALON & COLLANDER have just completed a billiard table specially constructed for the Exposition. It is a three-quarter size carrom table, that being the size and make now most popular in this country. The material is black walnut, of wax-polished, engraved and gilt. The mouldings are Grecian, and the tracery delicate and artistic. The cue stand is of unique construction, the handles being inlaid, each of a different pattern. The entire setout presents a specimen of American workmanship which in its specialty bids fair to secure an enviable reputation for the manufacturers.

TOBACCO.

The "ancient house" of LILIENTHAL will represent the tobacco manufacture. The case which is to be exhibited has been shown to visitors for several days back, at the factory in Barclay-street. It stands eleven feet high by six feet wide, and is surmounted by an appropriate sign in scroll work. It contains twenty-eight varieties of manufactured tobacco, each of these being put up in several different ways—in jars, boxes, canisters and packages, all of course constructed in an attractive way. Mr. LILIENTHAL will make a striking show in his corner of the Exposition. Whether he will convert the Parisians into chewers of the fragrant weed is doubtful. It not, let us hope that at least he will sneeze and smoke them to their satisfaction.

LOCOMOTIVES.

Not by any means the least important of our contributors to the World's Fair, will be that which represents our locomotive manufacture. A specimen of what we can do in this way will be sent from the Grant Locomotive Works at Paterson, New-Jersey. It has just been completed and will be sent forward on the 9th of this month, by the steamer *America*. All the working parts of the engine are of polished steel, the boiler, boiler cylinders, dome and stack being covered with silver. The "cab" or driver's compartment is constructed of walnut inlaid with maple and satin woods. The various levers and handles are tipped with ivory, and the whole presents a very gorgeous appearance.

In regard to the working parts of the engine, although they have been tested in the shop, it is not yet known how they will act when brought into practical operation, as they will be during the continuance of the Exposition. Arrangements have, it appears, been made to test all the locomotives sent to the Exposition, practically, and the *America* will have to compete with the best products of the foreign manufactories. This is the only locomotive which will be sent from this country.

The cylinder of the engine is 16-inch bore and 22-inch stroke; the driving-wheels are five and a half feet in diameter, and have steel tyres. The boiler is constructed for burning soft coal. The cost of the engine was $45,000, or about $30,000 more than the cost of an ordinary locomotive. It was built in sixty days, every part of it being of American manufacture. During the war the Grant Locomotive Works turned out one engine per day. Now the demand has fallen off to eight or ten per month.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

It has been generally supposed that, in the manufacture of boots and shoes, particularly those of the fancy kind, the Old World was far ahead of this country. A couple, however, of Massachusetts men do intend to show that they can do it, and a splendid boot has been prepared by Mr. EDWIN C. BURT, of No. 97 Park-row, which will be sent out on the 16th of this month. All were manufactured in Mr. BURT's establishment. There are 60 pairs misses' and children's boots of the prevailing style, but each pair possessing a distinctive characteristic. There are silk, satin, velvet, kid and calf, of various colors, and ornamented in all sorts of ways, displaying much taste and ingenuity. The sewing has all been done by machinery, even the soles being affixed in this manner. A novelty in the boot way is what is termed the double boot, which can be transferred from a lace-up to a buttoned boot by the simple fastening or unloosing of a stud. Two or three pairs of gentlemen's slippers, lined with satin and ornamented in a very tasteful manner, have been added to the lot. The latter cost $50 per pair, and it is almost unnecessary to say are not extensively worn.

STOVES.

Among the stoves and heating apparatus for the Exposition is one manufactured by PRATT & WENTWORTH, of Boston. It is of very beautiful design and appearance, the castings being so smooth that they might almost be mistaken for bronze. Some peculiar improvements are embodied in the stove, among which are complete ventilation and equal temperature of the oven; a great saving in the fuel used; a current of heated air constantly passing through the oven, and a new method of conveying air to the fire. This stove is named the "Peerless," and in outward show looks more like an ornament for the drawing-room than a companion for the cook, subject to her greasy touch and the fearful abuse of pots and pans. The utensils, which are part and parcel of the complete whole, are no less attractive as specimens of fine workmanship. The teakettle is of burnished copper; the iron pots are enameled inside; the poker, lifters, &c., are of burnished steel, with rosewood handles and plated trimmings. No doubt this will be an attractive feature at the Exposition, and however Jean Crapeau may choose to turn up his nose at our cooking, he will be modest when he looks at the kitchen.

THE AMERICAN RESTAURANT.

A feature of special attraction to Americans at the Exposition will be the American Restaurant, or, as the progenitors choose to call it, "A Home for Americans at Paris." This will be situated near one of the main entrances to the great building, and be approachable not only from the exterior promenade, but also from the interior way. Already five cases of goods have been already sent of, mainly containing the cooking apparatus, such-wares, furniture and the like, each and all specimens of American manufacture. The space allotted to this department is large, considering the value and scarcity of feet and inches at such a place. The rent is $1,000 per foot, besides all the paraphernalia of cooking and internal fixtures. The range ought to turn out fine cooking, as it is a most elaborate affair, with silver-plated mountings. The boiler will contain 300 gallons and supply the building with steam and hot water throughout. There will be employed at first five female cooks also of native birth and training.

The first floor—that on the level of the Promenade—will be the saloon for gentlemen, with bar, &c., ice-cream, soda-water fountains of fine workmanship, constructed mainly of various specimens of American marbles, mineral waters in imitation of the German springs. A characteristic painting by WINNER has been purchased as an attraction to this saloon. The subject is a country boy taking his first drink.

The second floor will be given to the Ladies' Restaurant, entrance from the entrance-way before alluded to. Here, in addition to the luxuries of the saloon, will be provided a handsome retiring-room, with a Chickering in the corner.

The gentlemen are to be provided with a smoking and reading room, and still further, a post-office for special service of the American visitors is to be provided.

The conductors of this enterprise are Messrs. Dows, of Boston; CLARK, of Philadelphia, and VAN WINKLE, of Newark, N. J.

CENTRAL PARK.

A Few Items from the Report of 1866—Projected Improvements and Pleasures of 1867.

The tenth annual report of the Central Park Commissioners is before us, and tells its usual pleasant story of good things done and to be done. As the Park approaches completion the new works constructed yearly are, of course, less important. Nevertheless, the work of improvement goes on in that which is no longer new to us, and the work requires much care and supervision, and calls for a report of progress annually as loudly as if new buildings were rising on every acre. We shall endeavor to give in abstract the substance of the report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1866.

IMPROVEMENTS AT THE NORTH END.

The surface of the Park at the extreme northeast corner being completed the water was confined in the Harlem Lake in August last. The rustic stone bridge carrying the road across the valley north of the loch is complete—under the bridge passes the walk by the side of the running brook that supplies the lake; 4,915 feet of additional walk have been completed; 1,611 feet of drain-pipe and tile have been laid; 14½ acres were laid down in grass; several urinals and ornamental fountains erected; new rustic seats and shades have been provided in interesting localities.

PROGRESS OF THE WALL, AND TREE AND SHRUB PLANTING.

The Park wall has been forwarded as far as practicable; 17,708 trees and shrubs, and 7,318 herbaceous plants have been planted. Elm trees have been planted along the Fifth-avenue from Sixty-fifth to Eighty-fifth-street. The growth of the trees is such at various points that they cover and furnish the roads and walks, opening new vistas to the visitor as he proceeds.

The iron arch, No. 28, near the north gate-house of the great reservoir, is complete. The total expenditure chargeable to construction during the year was $250,968 17; 161 park settees and 22 rustic seats have been built during the past year; an additional place for watering horses has been arranged near Mount St. Vincent; two additional fountains and one drinking hydrant have also been provided. The receipts for sale of grass were $3,574 50.

STATISTICS.

Twenty-three musical entertainments were given during the year. The boats continue to be popular—83,337 persons have been carried in them during the year. There were 39 days of skating on the Park during the year. The use of the play grounds of the park have been extended to the schools of the City. The establishment of a Zoological Garden has long been the subject of attention, and plans are now so far complete as to warrant the expectation of an early commencement. Schedule A shows the number of living animals at the Park. In sched ule C is given a statement in detail of donations during the past year; they are very numerous and interesting. The work outside of the Park, viz., grade of Eighth-avenue, grading of Seventy-seventh and Eighty-first streets, Sixth and Seventh avenues, the island above One Hundred and Fifty-fifth-street, circular place at entrance to Park at Eighth-avenue and Fifty-ninth-street, Avenue St. Nicholas, and Manhattan-street improvements, at the west side of the City, above Sixty-seventh-street, are all discussed, and the progress made in each shown.

The average force employed during the year was 256, of mechanics, cartmen, laborers, &c.

Total length of Park drive now in use, 9 485-1,000 miles; total length of bridle roads now in use, 5 503-1,000 miles; total length of walk now in use, 26 559-1,000 miles; 9,833 cubic yards of gravel have been required to keep the drives in proper order.

The total cost of the Park up to this time, including cost of land and improvement, is $10,014,879 15. The increased valuation of property in the three Wards surrounding the Park from 1856 to 1866 is $53,640,850. The rate of tax for the year 1866 is $2 30, yielding on the increased valuation above stated, an increased tax of $1,233,739 55.

The total number of arrests during the year was 110, being about one to every 75,000 visitors at the Park; 3,412,689 pedestrians, 86,787 equestrians and 1,579,806 vehicles entered the Park during the year.

THE VISITORS.

The following table shows the number of visitors for five years past, estimating three persons with each vehicle:

1862	4,196,515
1863	4,327,400
1864	5,740,079
1865	7,893,139
1866	9,299,073

The largest number of pedestrians entering the Park on any one day was June 24 61,313
The smallest number of pedestrians, Feb. 25 197
The largest number of equestrians, Aug. 25 1,627
The smallest, June 3 13
The largest number of vehicles, June 9 15,507
The smallest, Feb. 12 183

THE FREEHOLDERS OF THE PARK.

Not the least pleasant morsel of news the report conveys is the statement that, despite their indifferent accommodation, the animals at the menagerie are doing well. They ought to do well and receive especial attention, for they contribute in a great degree to the enjoyment of very many visitors, and to the instruction of not a few. The birds—may sunshine fall on their wings!—we learn are increasing in number rapidly; and we are told that the sparrows which were let out in the Park several years ago have multiplied, and are to be seen not only in the grounds but in the neighborhood round about.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

The Commissioners tell us, and we tell it over again for the especial delight of our very young readers who must spell through this part of our story at least, that a large building is in process of construction for their exclusive benefit and enjoyment. This is to be situated on a piece of lawn—the children's play-ground. The building itself will be partly covered and partly shaded by climbing plants and be the gymnasium and play-ground when too hot on the ground. The dairy is to be situated quite close by, and from it are to pour rivers of fresh milk and roll islands of sweet curds. The approaches to this little fairy land will be from the Southern end, and will be so arranged that they will be in no way interrupted by either horsemen or carriages, but be pleasant, shady and uninterrupted avenues all the way.

Of those of larger growth the Commissioners have been mindful too. Croquet grounds will be thrown open for the young lovers of that game, and increased facilities for enjoyment will be afforded to the lads of school-boy visitors to exercise their merry games upon the lawns.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

This is the people's Park, it must be remembered, and its enjoyments are free to all the people and to their children. There can be no class distinction; all who behave themselves as they ought to do, neither mischievous in the destruction of that which is provided for their pleasure, nor interfering with the pleasure of others, are welcome to a full feast of the good things provided for them.

The report contains many more valuable details of the things accomplished during the completed year, and very much more that is interesting about what is to be done during this new one; but our limited space precludes our going into these at greater length at present. Suffice it to say that the Commissioners who have earned so well the best thanks of a delighted public, bid fair to merit through all time the people's gratitude.

CHESS.

Tournament of the New-York Chess Club.

The list of entries for the series of encounters consequent upon the Annual Tourney of the New-York Chess Club, has at length been declared complete. Twenty-three aspirants for honors to be thus acquired on the chequered field still contend for the three prizes offered; and as, according to the regulations of the tourney, each competitor engages to play two games against his fellow-aspirants, an elaborate calculation will exhibit the fact that it is incumbent upon every one to play forty-four games—the entire number of separate engagements thus involved amounting to an aggregate of five hundred and six games. Of this formidable number no less than three hundred have already been brought to issue. The destination of the first of the three prizes to be awarded is no longer a subject of doubt. The indomitable persistency and unequaled skill of Capt. G. H. MACKENZIE, the representative player of the New-York Club, having already secured to him the victory in thirty seven instances out of a total number of thirty-nine separate contests wherein he has been engaged. All this, be it remembered, under circumstances which involved the giving of more or less odds according to the presumed skill of his several opponents, excepting in the few instances wherein he volunteered have had the humanity to encounter him on even terms. The prize No. 1 Mr. MACKENZIE, of Brooklyn, stands pronounced on the list; while the number of inquiries for the remaining money, some 50 odd dollars, nearly equals the number of those not gifted with the intelligence of second sight.

NEW-YORK VS. NEWBURGH.

In this correspondence-contest between the chess clubs of Newburgh and New-York, each of the three games comprised therein have reached their eleventh move, the play on either side giving promise of a highly interesting and well-contested match.

AN ALLEGED PRIVATEER SEIZED.

Capture of the Steamship R. R. Cuyler by the Surveyor of the Port—Ex-Rebels and Formidable Armaments found on Board—Story of her Owners, &c.

Since the seizure of the steamship *Meteor*, which was alleged to have been fitted out for the Chilian service against Spain, very little attention has been paid by the public to the subject of her detention, by probably nine-tenths of whom the matter has been entirely forgotten. Indeed the *Meteor* case remains unsettled, that vessel having been released under bonds which remain uncanceled. Meantime, it would appear that the Chilian authorities, or parties representing them, have not been idle. This is revealed by the fact that the Surveyor of the Port, WAKEMAN, under the direction of Collector SMYTHE, yesterday afternoon seized the steamship *R. R. Cuyler*, which has for some time past been preparing, as was represented, for the service of the United States of Colombia, having been but a few days ago sold to Gen. SALGAR, the Colombian representative here. It is now charged that the *R. R. Cuyler* has been armed and fitted out for the Chilian or Peruvian service against the Government of Spain, in violation of the neutrality laws of the United States. At the time of her seizure the vessel had on board an armament consisting of four nine-inch broadside cannon, (said to be Dahlgrens,) two pivot rifles, (Parrott guns,) and a large quantity of ammunition and small arms; also several packages containing sections of boats, supposed to be intended for torpedo-boats, and some sixty cannon-balls. With this formidable armament and numerous crew the vessel was considered to be in excellent trim for doing mischief. The *Cuyler* has been under the vigilant eye of the Custom-house officers for several weeks, during which time the evidence of her mischievous design has been accumulating. From the officials which have been prepared in the case, and on the strength of which the vessel has been seized, it appears that two crews were shipped. One of these was to take the vessel to sea, after "clearing," in form, according to usage, so as to avoid suspicion; and the other and larger crew, represented in the first instance as passengers, were to assume the positions of seamen, marines, officers, &c., and begin privateering operations as soon, it is alleged, as the vessel was beyond the jurisdiction of the United States, by attacking Spanish merchant vessels. The officers of the crew of privateersmen and many of the seamen were obtained partly in Southern ports—particularly in Savannah, Charleston, Mobile, and some marines, according to the statements of the crew, came from Washington. The officers were told, similarly of the object of the voyage; that the vessel was to sail from New-York directly for Laguayra, Venezuela, and that the work they would be called on to do was to take prizes sailing between Havana and Barcelona. It was clearly understood that no fighting would have to be done, as the vessel was not intended for the attack of any man-of-war.

The name of the master of the *R. R. Cuyler* is R. J. READ, formerly of the rebel navy, who appears to have been entrusted chief with the management, including the payment of the expenses of the men and the stores on board. The chief of the privateersmen, according to the plan, were to number over a hundred, all told.

Col. VAN BRUNT, Deputy Surveyor of the Port, accompanied by several of the officers of the revenue cutter *Dix*, made the seizure late yesterday afternoon, finding her in charge. The vessel had been placed for safekeeping in the name of Capt. BROWN, whoever that person may be. The crew of the *R. R. Cuyler* did not appear to be much surprised at the situation, although they were very much excited. Some of them were drunk, but not sufficiently so to be unpleasantly demonstrative. The whole business was quietly managed, nothing has been carried on under fictitious from Washington. It is stated that the crew which was designed to work the vessel, either as a man-of-war or privateer, have been quartered in various places in the city, and have kept themselves and their business extremely private. They have nearly all, it appears, been in the Confederate privateer or other service, and their uniforms were but very recently taken on board.

The former owners of the *R. R. Cuyler* were RUSSELL STURGIS, ROBERT S. TAYLOR, HENRY HUBBELL and SAMUEL DORLAND; and it is understood that about a month ago Mr. STURGIS made application to the State Department at Washington to know as to the legality of making a sale of the vessel to the Colombian Government, and he was informed that there was no obstacle in the way of such a transaction. The owners claim that it was upon this assurance they fitted up the *Cuyler*, armed her, and were endeavoring to make a delivery of the property, according to the terms of an agreement with the Colombian authorities. They urge that they have respected the Neutrality Laws in all particulars, and that they have a right to complete their bargain. The *R. R. Cuyler*, when she entered the Colombian service, was to have been known as the *Boyo*, (lightning,) and was to have been, as is claimed, a regular vessel of war.

The *R. R. Cuyler* is of 1,231 tons burden, 228 feet long, a propeller, staunch and very fast. It is said she is able to run nearly twenty miles an hour. In the beginning of the late war she was purchased by the Government and armed, and did valuable work against the blockade-runners. Two of the captured vessels were named, we believe, the *Deer* and the *Hound*. She also captured the schooner *J. P. Wilder*, and had an engagement near Fort Morgan with the armed rebel vessel *Isabel*, which she destroyed. At the close of the war she was purchased at auction by her present owners.

ALLEGED CHARGE OF RAPE.

A Merchant Tailor Accused of Improper Conduct—The Prosecution Fails to Make a Case and the Complaint is Dismissed.

On Thursday last, ANNIE CASEY, of No. 87 Marion-street, appeared at the Tombs Police Court, before Justice HOGAN, and made a complaint against Mr. WILLIAM LINTHICUM, a merchant tailor at No. 726 Broadway, of an attempt at rape. In her affidavit the complainant stated that on the 20th ult. the defendant, who was her employer, came into her bedroom at his residence, No. 274 East Fifty-fifth-street, and attempted violation of her person. Mr. LINTHICUM was arrested by Officer LEAYCRAFT and arraigned before the Magistrate upon the charge. In his defence the accused denied the charge of rape, and claimed that the whole proceeding was an attempt to injure his reputation and extort money. He alleged that he had been approached by counsel for the complainant, and an offer to settle had been made, but he had rejected the offer. He did not deny being found in the girl's room, but he had gone there to obtain some information volunteered by her in relation to the housekeeper, Mrs. JULIA T. POLK, who, coming to the door, he had locked it to prevent her seeing him. He further charged the complainant with sundry irregularities, and with having made considerable mischief in his family. The magistrate questioned EMMA in detail, when she repeated her former statements. Mr. LINTHICUM demanded an examination, which was granted, and the hearing was held yesterday. The complainant was examined at length, but no new features were elicited, beyond the reiterated statement that the accused had made an attempt to violate her.

Mrs. JULIA T. POLK, of No. 195 West Thirtieth-street, was called for the prosecution. The following is her evidence:

I am a married woman; I do not live with my husband; I have been separated from him almost two years; I have been employed by Mr. LINTHICUM as governess; I went there the 1st of July and left him last Saturday; I recollect the morning of the 20th of January; I heard complainant's testimony; I was the person who knocked at the door; I came down stairs because I heard some one open the front door, and I thought it was myself who had come in; I went to the door out in the dining-room and seeing no one there I knocked at her door; the door was shut and fastened; I knocked three or four times; I also hallooed and no one answered until I called for the eldest son of Mr. LINTHICUM; Mr. LINTHICUM then unlocked the door; I cannot say whether he was undressed or not; I went into the room and Annie pretended to be asleep; I shook her and she said, "Why, Mrs. POLK, what is the matter?" I replied, "Annie, you are a bad girl and must leave this house;" Mr. LINTHICUM then said he had gone there on business, and that he had a right to go there; he also said that as far as he knew Annie CASEY was a virtuous girl; I noticed him particularly at this time, and he was fully dressed; he had no overcoat on; and I do not know if he had boots on; I do not know that he had a collar or cravat on; he had not had sufficient time to put on his clothes; when I took hold of the girl I pulled her out of bed by the arm; I did not drag her around the room; she had no night robe on; it did not take a minute for me to pull her out of bed; after this occurrence I saw Mr. LINTHICUM standing at the door; I left his employ because of this transaction.

Cross-examined.—I went up stairs to my room and then came down again to see Annie; Mr. LINTHICUM had gone to his room previous to that; I called Annie into the kitchen and asked her if Mr. LINTHICUM had ever been in her room before; she said no; I asked her if he had ever made improper advances to her and she said he never had; I asked her if he had laid his hands upon her person and she said he had never troubled her; she said she was first aroused by hearing me come down stairs, and then saw Mr. LINTHICUM in the room, and she had exclaimed "Oh what will Mrs. POLK say;" I said, "Annie, Mr. LINTHICUM was undressed in your room, wasn't he?" and she said he was not, that it was too dark for her to see what he had on; I spoke to her again on the subject after daylight and she then told me that Mr. LINTHICUM had come to her room and undressed to see if my brother was in the house, and she, not knowing it, never thought anything improper by going there; I asked her if she would testify to that fact, and she said she would; I asked her if she would take charge of the galley next day; in the evening after arriving in Jersey City, witness went into the galley and the cook said "it is a very nasty thing I am accused of, and I dont know how to get out of it;" next morning found the door where Robinson was kept broken open and he was gone; about four weeks before the fire, Robinson asked if there was any arsenic on board and was told that there was not.

George Peterson, second mate, testified, that at half past two o'clock in the morning, the first mate called and said there was fire in the ship; at four o'clock, the usual time for calling the cook, he was not to be found; witness went to the galley door and rapped on it; after a while he saw the cook coming down off the roof of the main deck-house, and he said he had been asleep there; at eight o'clock the Captain called all hands and questioned them separately about the fire; the cook was called last, and said he knew nothing about it; the Captain asked him if he told the boy the night before that they would see what they had never seen before aboard the ship; Robinson replied that he did say so; the Captain then put him in irons, and he was kept ironed until the ship arrived in Jersey City.

John St. Clair, being sworn, testified: I am 16 years of age; the night before the fire I was on deck of the *Lady Blessington* from 4 to 8 o'clock; was talking with the cook at the galley door; he wanted to know if the booby hatch was open and I told him it was; he said he wanted to go there to sleep, to blow himself away; asked him what he wanted to do that for and he said some one was going to kill him and that he would put an end to himself; he had his shirt chuck full of shavings; asked him what he was going to do with them and he said I would see something that I had never seen before; I went below at 8 o'clock and did not see anything more of him that evening; about 2 o'clock, and the mate called me; I went on deck and asked what time it was, and shortly after this the fire occurred; he had no business on deck at that time.

Enrich Johnson, carpenter of the ship, testified that the fire was built in the block locker with pi ces ptue, and part of the locker was painted the night before; the cook got the shavings from the shop the night before; the locker where the fire was built was clean the day before; witness recognized some of the shavings found there by the paint on them.

Upon the above facts the prisoner was fully committed. The witnesses were required to find bail for their appearance before the United States Grand Jury, or, in default, the Commissioner had no alternative but to commit them. As they would receive $1 50 a day and board while detained, the witnesses decided to take up their residences at the County Jail, and were accordingly committed until the session of the Grand Jury, a week or two days hence.

The Weehawken Ferry.

The following is the presentment of the Hudson County, N. J., Grand Jury in the matter of the Weehawken Ferry:

Hudson Oyer and Terminer, January Term, 1867.—The Grand Jurors of the County of Hudson would respectfully represent that their attention has been called to the past and present management of the ferry conducted by the Weehawken Ferry Company, in this county.

The said ferry is used by very many of the citizens in the northerly part of the county, who pass from that section to the City of New-York and return thereby.

We have ascertained that the want of accommodation to the passengers thereon shows a total disregard of the said Company to the ordinary comforts of the passengers, as also to the moral sensibilities of the traveling public.

The Company run a single boat for the transportation of both passengers and freight, and such boat is represented to us to be unmate for such purposes, her timber being old and rotten, and her machinery, either by reason of its age or by reason of want of skill or bad habits on the part of the engineers of the Company, being frequently out of order and causing freights and delays on the part of the passengers.

We have also been informed that it is the common practice of the said Company to detain boats and ferry to be driven into the slip when said boat called by the Company's "gentleman's cabin," and in said cabins to be transported to the City of New-York, to the disgust and discomfort of such of the passengers as desire to be sheltered in said cabins, called the "gentleman's cabins," and these said cabins is washed out no oftener than once in each week.

That the apartment on said boat called by the very respectable title of the "ladies' cabin" is used by men while in the enjoyment of tobacco in smoking and chewing, and consequently expectorating over the floors, rendering such apartment an unfit temporary habitation for ladies or children, to say nothing of the other sex, whose sensibilities are more delicate and acute.

That in addition to the want of cleanliness in the said apartment known as the "ladies' cabin," as hereinbefore shown, the said apartment is represented to us unfit for the reception of the more delicate sex in this:

That the roof of the said apartment has apertures therein sufficient to render it impossible for women of men to obtain a dry seat when rain descends, or in fact to permit the passengers to remain dry.

That on the inside of the ladies' cabin may be found obscene and loathesome writings and disgusting caricatures of themselves, sufficient to deter the respectable women of the county from entering such an abode if it were possible for them to find another expeditious mode of transportation. In fine, that the negligence of the Company, as well as the active bad management of the ferry, stamps it with all the incidents of a public nuisance, which, in case the same is not remedied, should be abated.

To the end, therefore, that the said Company should have notice that the attention of the public authorities has been called to the premises, we desire that the foregoing paper may be recorded by order of the Court; a copy of the same served on the President or other head officer of the Corporation, and also published in two of the newspapers of this county.

All which is respectfully submitted.

C. V. TRAPHAGEN, Foreman.

State of New-Jersey, Hudson County, ss.—I, GEORGE W. CASSIDY, Clerk of Hudson County aforesaid, and Clerk of the Court of Oyer and Terminer holden therein, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a certain presentment, as the same is filed in my office, under date of 25th January, A. D. 1867.

In witness whereof I have herewith set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court and county, this 31st day of January, 1867.

GEO. W. CASSIDY, Clerk.

THE WEATHER.

The Thaw in the City—The Ice in the Sound.

The thaw which set in mildly and promised to release us quietly from the perils of street and footpath with which we have been so fearfully tried for a month or more, has changed its tune in a most boisterous manner. In the afternoon of yesterday we were visited by what is familiarly known as a Scotch mist—a soaking yet almost imperceptible rain—that soon saturated all humanity out of doors, and added materially to the terrible state of the streets we have already groaned about. Toward midnight the wind rose and the rain fell heavier, bringing with it half melted hailstones with sharp corners, which soon chased all but those who had to bear the storm within doors, and rattled against the window-panes as if they were dissatisfied with the extent of discomfort they administered out of doors.

It is a blessing that to-day is Sunday, for if the rain continues there is some hope that the streets will be passable with comparative comfort before Monday, when the great bulk of the City population must turn out to daily labor, wet shod or dry.

THE SOUND.

Yesterday the navigation of the Sound was effectually closed, the ice being from one to five feet thick, for distances of many miles in extent. Passengers, horses and wagons have been crossing for several days between Stamford, New-Rochelle, Willett's Point, Whitestone, Great Neck and City Island. On Wednesday last, from New-Rochelle to City Island, several loads of hay were driven over the ice, drawn by double teams. On Tuesday eight schooners and the steamers *Nereus*, *Oceanus* and *Continental* and two others were frozen in. Two of these succeeded since in cutting their way out and in reaching the City. Doubtless this thaw will soon release the captives, put an end to migrations of men and animals upon the ice, and bring it down to us in such fashion as we have not yet experienced. Unless it gets so porous as to become saturated and sink before it gets down to the East River, we may look for another period of peril to the ferry-boats, and offer up more prayers for East River bridges and sub-river tunnels.

The Sun Mutual Insurance Company—Meeting of Shareholders.

About a hundred shareholders of the Sun Mutual Insurance Company, a majority of them recent purchasers—held a meeting at No. 32 Pine-street yesterday, to take action with regard to the unfavorable rumors that have been in circulation relating to the financial condition of the company. Mr. COMETT was appointed chairman, and, after a motion had been carried to assess the scripholders to defray the expenses of whatever measures it might be found necessary to adopt, the report of the Committee appointed by the shareholders was read, in which it was stated that JOSEPH LINDEN had waited upon Mr. GRINNELL, the President of the Company, and informed him that the debts were $5,000 over the assets. Appended to the report was an agreement, as follows,

NEW-YORK, Jan. 30, 1867.

The undersigned, holders of the Sun Mutual Scrip, for the purpose of employing counsel and paying other incidental expenses necessary to ascertain the rights of all the scrip holders, agree to pay in the proportion to the amount of scrip held or represented by them—the same not to exceed half of one per cent. on the same, to be paid to the Committee, Linda, Kingsley & Co., about $220 000
W. Gilman, for himself and others 60,000
George A. Phelps 5,000
A. S. Sands & Co 3,600
W. Burns 10,000
W. Mackey, for friend 10,000
J. W. Townley 5,000
John Myles 13,000
H. M. Barns 1,750
J. N. Sullivan 8,000
Hughes & Crehanger 7,000
Jas. Newman 15,000
E. E. Aaron 17,000
A. N. Spies 5,000
F. H. Cossitt 7,800
J. Myles, for Wm. Gowans 900
J. D. Haring 3,000
Howland Nottingham and others 2,000
Robert L. Taylor 2,200
Samuel Thompson's nephew 500
H. Adams 5,000
Hiram Fisher 5,000
B. H. Howard, for George Cuh & Co 14,000
J. Y. B. Mayhan 600
Wm. Gernan, addition to former subscriptions 12,000
Gershom J. Grover 4000

Mr. LANDER read a note from Mr. GRINNELL, in answer to one previously sent to him, stating that he had no power to permit them to examine the books, till the Trustees were consulted on the matter; but that he had no doubt the privilege would be granted, if the parties who might make the proposed search, would act in an orderly manner.

Mr. LANDER then offered resolutions that a committee be appointed to examine the books of the Company, and report to the scrip holders; and that a report of the affairs of the Company be transmitted to Mr. BARNES, the Superintendent of the Insurance Department. After some discussion, during which the solvency of the Company was maintained by several speeches, the resolution was adopted, and the meeting adjourned.

POLICE COURTS.

The Tombs—Before Justice Hogan.

ALLEGED GRAND LARCENY.

THOMAS P. LYON, an inmate of the Putnam House, in Fourth-street, appeared in Court yesterday morning and made a charge of grand larceny against CATHARINE LYON, whom he accused of having stolen from him a diamond breast pin, valued at $200, and a ring worth $30. He also stated that the woman had admitted taking the property, and the pin was found in her possession, at which time she acknowledged to having placed the ring in pawn. CATHARINE was accordingly arrested and arraigned before the Court. When asked what defence she had she made the following statement: "I took the pin from him for safe keeping, as he was drunk, and I was afraid he would lose it. I have been living with Mr. LYON as his wife for two years. I plead not guilty." She was remanded for further examination. CATHARINE is a native of New-York, 25 years of age, and was formerly employed as a domestic in the Jefferson Market Prison. The complainant was at that time Deputy Keeper at the same prison, at which time Deputy Keeper at the same prison, at which time Deputy Keeper at the same prison, where the acquaintance between the parties was first formed.

FOUND UNDER A BED.

MICHAEL SWEENEY, a barkeeper, aged 21 years, was arrested yesterday morning by Officer GIBBONS, of the Third Precinct, on the complaint of PATRICK H. COOKLEY, of No. 203 Washington-street, who charged the prisoner with having concealed himself under a bed in one of the rooms at the above premises, with felonious intent to steal a quantity of clothing, valued at $400. It was also stated that the accused had no right to an entrance to said room, consequently the inference was that theft was contemplated. SWEENEY was fully committed for trial and locked up in default of $500 bail.

VIOLATING THE EXCISE LAW.

JOSEPH RINTZ, of No. 404 Broome-street; JOHN H. ZIMMERMAN and JOHN H. BRAVERMAN, of No. 13 Albany-street, and CONRAD MAUTZ, of No. 644 Broadway, were arraigned before the Court yesterday, charged with violating the provisions of the Excise Law. They were all held to bail for trial.

Jefferson Market—Before Justice Ledwith.

PASSING A FORGED CHECK.

A young man named MAURICE WATERMAN was brought before Justice LEDWITH, charged with passing a forged check for $38, purporting to be drawn by HENRY HOLBROOK, on the Second National Bank of Jersey City, in part payment for four baskets of wine which he purchased of Mr. DAVID STERN, of No. 47 Lispenard-street. The accused denied his guilt, and in default of bail was committed for trial at the General Sessions.

THE OLD STORY.

CHARLES BOLTON, who dwells at No. 127 East Seventeenth-street, swore before the Magistrate yesterday that as an early hour on Friday morning he met a girl named Annie QUIGLEY on Broadway, and accompanied her to a saloon near by, where she robbed him of his wallet containing $60, with which she decamped. Warrant was accordingly issued and the accused arrested and committed in default of $1,000 bail to answer.

VIOLATING THE EXCISE LAW.

AUGUST WUNSCH, who is engaged in the retail liquor business at No. 98 Third-avenue, was arraigned for violation of the Excise Law. He was bailed in the sum of $500 to answer.

Essex Market—Before Justice Mansfield.

IMPORTANT ARREST OF PROFESSIONAL THIEVES.

Detective Officers KING and LYON, of the Tenth Precinct, yesterday arrested two notorious thieves, named HERMAN WAGNER and LEWIS ROSENBAUM, who have been engaged in a series of house-thefts for the last three or four months. Upon searching their residence a large quantity of stolen goods was recovered, including a roll of 31 yards of fancy drugget, 50 gross of buttons, 19 dozen locks, 19 pairs boots, 3 patent tinner's machines, 120 dozen spools of cotton, 1,000 corsets, a trunk full of gentleman's wearing apparel, &c. The property is now at the Tenth Precinct Police Station-house, where it awaits identification by the owners. The thieves were committed for examination.

EXCISE CASE.

ELIAS SCHILLING, of No. 45 East Broadway, was arraigned for violating the Excise Law, and committed for trial at the Special Sessions.

Passengers Sailed.

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